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DESTROYER AGROUND.

(Associated Press.)

London, May 27.—The British torpedo boat destroyer Recruit grounded on a rock off Cape Cornwall, four miles north of Land's End, during a fog this morning. The sea was smooth and tugs endeavored to float the vessel, but her stoke holes filled with water, and, according to the last advices received from the scene, it will probably be necessary to affix new plates to the Recruit before she can be floated.

London, May 27.—Later in the day it was announced that the Recruit had been floated.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, May 27.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier returns on Thursday in time to vote in the provincial elections. Hon. Clifford Sifton will leave for Winnipeg after the voting.

NEGRO HANGED.

He Shot His Employer and Her Two Daughters.

(Associated Press.)

Philadelphia, Pa., May 27.—William Harmon Lane, colored, was hanged at 10.08 o'clock this morning.

The crime for which Lane paid the death penalty was particularly atrocious. On the 11th of April he shot and killed Ella Jarden, by whom he was employed as a servant, and her two daughters, aged 12 and 7 years. Lane had stolen money from his employer and fearing the consequences of his theft he deliberately shot the woman and her younger daughter in the upper room of their home, and then called the elder child from the street where she had been playing and shot and killed her.

CHOLERA AT MANILA.

Capt. Russell, Eighth United States Infantry, Is Dead.

(Associated Press.)

Manila, May 27.—Capt. Charles E. Russell, of the 8th Infantry, is dead. He was the first officer to die of cholera. Up to the present time in Manila there have been 25 cases of cholera among the Americans and 20 deaths, and there have been 13 cases and 10 deaths among the European population of this city.

MANY BODIES ARE COVERED BY ROCKS

IT WILL TAKE DAYS TO REACH THEM ALL

Remains of Several Victims Are in Sight —Committee Is Kept Busy Distributing Relief.

The Times correspondent at Fernie reports the recovery of additional bodies from the Coal Creek mines. Thirteen more have been taken out and of these seven are unidentified. A number of the bodies are known to be buried under debris, and it will probably be some days before they are reached.

Archibald Dick, inspector of mines, in a message to the Minister of Mines, last night stated that on May 19th he examined No. 3 mine. All was clear of gas; ventilation was good, 27,000 feet of air passage per minute for 50 men. On May 20th examined No. 2 mine. At high line division there were 12,000 cubic feet of air per minute, 30 men, and in East and West districts, 75,000 cubic feet of air per minute, 60 men. He did not find gas in the mines.

At a meeting of Winnipeg city council last night the sum of $500 was voted to sufferers.

A dispatch from Toronto says the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company directors have authorized the statement that the company will pay all funeral expenses, relieve against immediate want and suffering and provide permanently against any destitution. They state, so far, the cause of the explosion is not known, but that the day preceding the accident, the mines were inspected by the government mine inspector, Arch. Dick, who issued his written certificate that the mines were in excellent condition. Inaccurate telegrams from the West as to the mines being dangerous and reporting previous explosions, and assigning various causes for the explosion, should not be believed. This is the first explosion that has taken place at the mines. Men were recently fined by the magistrate at the instance of the company for taking matches into the mines, tobacco being found upon them, and one man who denied having matches about him, on being searched, was found to have matches in his hair. Very little damage has been done to the mines, and when the work of rescue is completed operations can be immediately recommenced upon the old scale, so that the miners may resume their operations at an early date.

ADDITIONAL BODIES

Have Been Taken From the Wrecked Workings of Mine.

(Special to the Times.)

Fernie, May 27.—The following additional bodies have been recovered:

Albert Colco.
John Horbet.
H. Hartley.
Peter L. Lokne.
W. Lekar.
Jas. Mitchell.

Three unknown from room 10, and four unknown from room 8.

About 18 bodies are in sight and will be removed to-night.

The work of recovering the bodies is slow, as the roofs of many of the rooms have caved in, burying the bodies under tons of rock. This work may consume a week more.

The suspense of the widows and families awaiting the recovery of the bodies is heart rending.

Funerals are seen at all hours and cause but little notice now.

So far there are known to be 40 to 50 widows. This information is hard to get, as the coal company does not have it.

The relief fund has reached $6,500 and the committee is already distributing it. New cases of destitution are being found every hour.

Another of our constables, C. Henderson, showed the white feather and "hit the ties" this evening. A. P. Waller was put on the force to-day.

PATHETIC SCENES.

Girl Arrived in Time to See Her Intended Husband Borne to Cemetery.

(Associated Press.)

Fernie, May 27.—Later.—Good progress is being made to-day with rescue operations, and since last evening nine bodies have been recovered and brought to town for burial. Of these eight have been identified, the list including:

Wm. Morris, married; leaves widow and two children in Pennsylvania.

Wm. Thorpe, also from Pennsylvania; leaves widow and one child.

Jas. R. Wilson, jr.; son of the former underground manager.

Joe Hubus.

Preparations for the continuation of the inquest on Saturday are being systematically advanced, with indications that its sessions will be protracted, and thorough inquiry be made into the real responsibility for the disaster. The Miners' Union has retained the legal firm of Ross & Alexander, and are already getting together pertinent evidence.

The relief fund now amounts to $7,400, among the latest contributors being the town of Sydney, C. B., sending $500; Ymir a similar amount, and Wm. Fernie, the only director of the company yet to contribute personally, $50.

Many intensely pathetic scenes are developing through the distribution of relief and the continuous funerals. Yesterday brought in a broken-hearted girl of 18 from Spokane, who had hoped to join her intended husband in this town and be married upon arrival. She reached just in time to see the body of her lover taken to the fast filling little cemetery. The Slavonic mother of M. Hubos started for Fernie from her prairie home as soon as news of the disaster reached there. At Crow's Nest blockades interdicted further railway progress, and so across the blockading masses of gumbo, through the 35 miles of mountain and forest lying between her and Fernie, she plodded wearily, arriving this morning worn but still most bravely bearing up, her sole remaining hope being to dress the shattered body of her only boy for his last resting.

THE RELIEF FUND.

List of Contributions For Assistance to Fernie Sufferers.

The city official subscription list was circulated this morning for a couple of hours, and in that time the substantial sum of $845 was subscribed in aid of the sufferers from the Fernie disaster. Doubtless by the time this paper reaches the street the amount will have been swelled to $1,000 or more.

In addition to the subscriptions to the Times list acknowledged yesterday there is a contribution of $5 from Narcissus.

On Sunday evening a collection was taken up in the Metropolitan Methodist church in aid of the rapidly increasing fund, and the very satisfactory amount of $107 was realized. The city list as furnished by the Mayor follows:

Corporation City of Victoria	$250
Hon. Jas. Dunsmuir	250
Lieut.-Governor	100
Hon. E. G. Prior	50
Hon. J. D. Prentice	50
Mayor Hayward	25
Richard Hall, M. P. P.	25
Brackman & Ker Milling Co.	25
B. C. Land & Investment Agency	20
Driard Hotel	10
T. N. Hibben & Co.	10
W. T. Oliver	10
McPhillips, Wootton & Barnard	10
Robt. Ward & Co.	10

DISCUSSED MESSAGES FROM SOUTH AFRICA

Boer Delegates Will Report to Burghers Results of the Cabinet's Deliberations.

(Associated Press.)

London, May 27.—The British cabinet was in session for two hours to-day discussing the communications received from Pretoria since the meeting of the ministers on Friday laset.

It is understood that the inner committee of the cabinet will telegraph the result of the deliberations to Pretoria this afternoon. The Boer delegates at the Transvaal capital will then probably return to Vereeniging and report to the burghers who are still assembled there.

A. J. Balfour, the government leader, made no statement in the House of Commons to-day in regard to the peace negotiations, but he announced a postponement of the discussion of the budget, fixed for this week, remarking that it would be very inconvenient to debate the budget, "while there were other things in the balance."

Mr. Balfour subsequently explained that it would be impossible in discussing the budget to prevent references to the peace negotiations.

According to the views of officials here there is nothing to warrant the pessimistic opinions expressed in some quarters regarding the ultimate outcome of the discussions at Pretoria and at Vereeniging. The Associated Press learns that the government continues to be satisfied that the negotiations will result in a peaceful settlement. Some minor points are still being discussed, but these are expected to be fully disposed of within a day or two.

POLISH PROVINCES.

Imperial Chancellor on Steps to Be Taken to Strengthen German Element.

(Associated Press.)

Berlin, May 27.—The debate on the bill providing for strengthening the German element in the Polish provinces of Prussian began in the Lower House of the Prussian diet to-day. President of the council of ministers and imperial chancellor, Count von Buelow, said the government was compelled, for the sake of the security of the monarchy, to erect a bulwark against agitation in favor of granting Poland constitutional rights. The Poles would be safeguarded, but any effort to change the existing relations of the two nationalities would be rigorously suppressed. The government's object was to continue the policy inaugurated by Prince Bismarck in 1886. The present bill was only a commencement. Next winter further measures would be introduced to strengthen the German element in the eastern provinces, including the increasing salary of the officials of the middle and lower ranks and those of the teachers in the elementary schools.

JEWEL ROBBERY.

(Associated Press.)

New York, May 27.—Mrs. Thomas Kensett and her daughter, Gertrude, of Cornwall-on-Hudson, N. Y., have been robbed of $50,000 worth of jewelry, says a Paris dispatch to the American and Journal. The jewelry was taken from a trunk in their hotel room close to the Grand Opera. Part of the jewelry consisted of heirlooms. There is no clue to the robbers.

FOUND HUNDREDS OF SMALL VOLCANOS

A SCIENTIST'S TRIP TO AREA OF CRATERS

Professor Hill Tells of His Investigations In the Island of Martinique.

(Associated Press.)

Fort de France, May 26.—Prof. Robert T. Hill, United States government geologist and head of the expedition sent by the National Geographical Society, has just come in from a daring and prolonged investigation of the volcanic activity in Martinique. Professor Hill chartered a steamer and carefully examined the coast as far north as Port de Marcoub, at the extreme end of the island, making frequent landings. After landing at Le Precheur, five miles north of St. Pierre, he walked through an area of active volcanism to the latter place and made a minute examination of various phenomena disclosed. Professor Hill is the first and only man who has set foot on the area of craters, fissures and fumaroles, and because of his high position as a scientist, his narrative is valuable. In addition to his work of investigation the professor rescued in his steamer many poor people of Le Precheur, who had ventured back after deserting their homes and who found themselves in awful danger. He reports as follows:

"The zone of the catastrophe in Martinique forms an elongated oval, containing on land about eight square miles of destruction. This oval is partly over the sea. The land part is bounded by lines running from Le Precheur to the peak of Mount Pelee, thence curving around to Carbet. There were three well marked zones. First: A centre of annihilation in which all life, vegetable and animal, was utterly destroyed. The greater part of northern St. Pierre was in this zone. Second: A zone of singeing, blistering flame which was also fatal to all life, killing all men and animals and burning the leaves on the trees, scorching but not utterly destroying the trees themselves. Third: A large outer, non-destructive zone of ashes, wherein some vegetation was injured.

"The focus of annihilation was the new crater, midway between the sea and the peak of Mount Pelee, where now exists a new area of active volcanism with hundreds of fumaroles or miniature volcanoes. The new crater is now vomiting black, hot mud, which is falling into the sea. Both craters, the old and new, are active. Mushroom shaped steam explosions constantly ascend from the old crater. The old ejects steam, smoke, mud, pumice, and lapelli, but no molten lava.

"The salient topography of the region is unaltered. The destruction of St. Pierre was due to the new crater. The explosion had great superficial force, acting in radial directions as is evidenced by the dismounting and carrying for yards of the guns in the battery on the hill south of St. Pierre and the colonial statue of the Virgin in the same locality. Also by the condition of the ruined houses in St. Pierre.

"According to the testimony of some persons, there was an accompanying flame. Others think the incandescent cinders and the force of their ejection were sufficient to cause the destruction. This must be investigated. I am now following the nature of this hill."

This is the first positive scientist statement based on observed facts. Prof. Hill is now started on horseback for the volcano. He will study the whole affected area and will try to get to both craters. He will surely visit Morne Rouge and the slope of Mount Pelee. The undertaking is very hazardous as explosions may occur at any moment, as one did May 20th. Professor Hill knows the risk he takes, but says the only way to discover exactly what happened is to go to the crater itself or as near as is possible. He will be gone two days.

Fort de France is nearly deserted. A new source of fright is the fear that a tidal wave may come. A wave, eight feet high, would certainly destroy Fort de France and probably cause enormous loss of life. The weather is lowering and rainy. The south winds carry the smoke and ashes from the volcano away from Fort de France.

In order to avoid a possible epidemic among the seven thousand refugees now at Fort de France it has been decided to distribute them among a number of depots.

Shower of Ashes.

Roseau, Island of Dominica, B. W. I., May 27.—During the whole of last night ashes from the volcano on the island of Martinique fell here in greater quantity than ever experienced since the outbreak of Mount Pelee.

Again In Eruption.

Fort de France, Martinique, May 26, 9 p.m.—The volcano is again in eruption. Great inky black clouds are rolling over Fort de France in huge masses and there are peculiar lightning flashes in the clouds.

The inhabitants are now flocking into the great square of the town. If the demonstration increases a panic is imminent.

A very heavy surf has been beating on the shore for the last two hours, and an enormous greyish-yellow cloud at a great height is dimly visible in the direction of Mount Pelee.

The night is intensely dark and the stars are only faintly visible. Fort de France is in no danger from the volcano, but there is considerable apprehension of a panic in the night time should the greyish-yellow cloud reach here and ashes and stones begin to fall.

There are no noises from the volcano at present.

J. BULL—"Well, well, well! And you criticize my policy in South Africa, Sam."—Montreal Star.

REHEARSING PARADE.

Attendants and Horses Moved Along Route of Procession From Buckingham to Westminster.

(Associated Press.)

London, May 27.—A full rehearsal of the coronation procession along the whole route from Buckingham Palace to Westminster Abbey and return took place this morning. The attendants and the horses were practically the same as will take part in the parade of June 26th. The vehicles were plain coaches and brakes representative of the elaborate equipages which will be used on coronation day, and grooms and outriders represented the notable personages who will ride in attendance on their Majesties. The first nine carriages will be occupied by members of the British royal family. They will be followed by vehicles containing their suites. The great state coach, which will come last, was represented to-day by a big brake drawn by the eight cream colored Hanoverians which figured in the procession at the time of the late Queen Victoria's funeral and also at the time of the Jubilee. The horses to-day were without the crimson morocco harness with heavy gilt fittings and ornamentation which is being made for the coronation. The rehearsal included the picking up of passengers at Buckingham Palace, and their alighting at Westminster Abbey, etc.

A RAGING TORRENT.

Railway Bridges and Track Swept Away —Narrow Escape of Two Women.

(Associated Press.)

Pueblo, Col., May 27.—The high water in the Fountain river reached here last night, tearing out the Colorado Southern railroad tracks, flooding the cellar of the Pueblo hospital and doing other damage. At Butte station, on the Rio Grande road, a section house and other property was destroyed. A number of tent dwellers had a narrow escaped, two women being compelled to cling to a tree for several hours. Several small houses and tents were carried off. The three large steel railroads bridges of the Santa Fe, Missouri Pacific and Colorado Southern roads, all within a quarter of a mile above the mouth of the Fountain river, were swept away. The approaches to two city bridges and those of the county bridge north of the city were undermined and then destroyed.

WRECKED BY A MOB.

Crowd Incensed Because Proprietor of Exchange Caned French Employee.

(Associated Press.)

New York, May 27.—The American Exchange has been smashed by an angry mob, says a Paris dispatch to the American and Journal. The proprietor, Donald Downie, formerly of New York, had an altercation with one of his French employees. The latter was slightly intoxicated and refused to leave the premises, whereupon Mr. Downie caned him severely. An angry mob quickly gathered, as is usual in Paris, and seeing blood flowing from the Frenchman, the crowd began by smashing the windows and finally wrecked the place. During the excitement one thousand collected in the Rue Scribe.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, May 27.—A special service was held at the British embassay today over the remains of Lord Pauncefote. It was very brief, and only members of the late ambassador's family and the embassy staff were present. Bishop Satterlee and Coadjutor Bishop McKay-Smith officiated and read the prayer for persons under affliction and other appropriate passages provided in the Episcopal service.

AN M.P. HAD HIS POCKETS PICKED

RELIEVED OF $700 DURING CELEBRATION

Fire at Springfield, Ontario—Convention Called to Discuss the Trade Relations.

(Associated Press.)

Kingston, May 27.—H. A. Calvin, M. P., was yesterday relieved of $700 during the Victoria Day celebration by a pickpocket.

Trade Relations.

Winnipeg, May 27.—Letters have been received from the Commercial Club, Minneapolis, by the board of trade which refers to the calling of a convention to discuss trade relations with a view to reciprocity.

Destructive Fire.

Springfield, Ont., May 27.—Fire broke out yesterday afternoon in C. B. Atkinson's hayloft, and before being got under control did damage amounting to $50,000. Among the buildings were those belonging to Dr. W. Henry, D. Swely, D. Teck, John Hewer, R. T. Scott and Wilcox & Smith. The Methodist church was also burned.

Toronto Market.

Toronto, May 27.—C. P. R. was chief speculative interest on the local market yesterday in sympathy with the movement in New York. It opened 4 points higher than on Saturday, at 135¾, advanced to 140⅛, eased to 137⅞, and closed 140½.

ON FRENCH SOIL.

President Loubet Returns From Visit To Russia.

(Associated Press.)

Dunkirk, France, May 27.—The French squadron of warships, which recently visited Cronstadt, Russia, to escort President Loubet, arrived here to-day. M. Loubet landed at noon. He was welcomed by the mayor and received an ovation from the populace. The President proceeded to the chamber of commerce, and at a subsequent luncheon he expressed his delight at the extreme cordiality of the welcome extended to him by both the Imperial family and the people of Russia. The strengthening of the bonds uniting Russia and France would, he believed, have the beneficial effect of causing Frenchmen to forget their own differences, which were more apparent than real, and to turn their united attention to financial, economical and social problems urgently requiring settlement. The President concluded with drinking a toast "to the reunion of all Frenchmen."

WEALTHY DETECTIVE.

Has Left an Estate Said to Be Worth $300,000.

(Associated Press.)

New York, May 27.—James H. Burns, for 15 years a ward detective on the New York police force, is dead at his home in New Rochelle, leaving an estate said to be worth $300,000. Burns was detailed at the Eldridge street station, but after the Lexow investigation was placed on trial and dismissed from the force. He was also indicted, but when the trial was called, his bond of $5,000 was forfeited. He remained for some time in Europe and then returned to this city, where he demanded a trial. The witnesses had disappeared and the case was finally dismissed.

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NOTHING DEFINITE YET MADE KNOWN

THERE ARE RUMORS OF HITCH IN NEGOTIATIONS

The London Daily Mail, However, Takes a Hopeful View of the Situation.

London, May 27. Just before parliament rose after midnight last night, a rumor reached the lobbies that a hitch had occurred in the peace negotiations. Nothing official concerning this rumor could be ascertained, but the dispatch to the Associated Press from Pretoria in which it was said that the prevalence throughout South Africa of the optimistic feeling in regard to the peace negotiations was hardly based upon the solid facts, may be regarded as an indication that such a hitch had occurred.

Little information from Pretoria has been able to pass the censor there recently. That the government yesterday fully anticipated a speedy conclusion of peace, is believed to be shown by the postponement from yesterday until Friday or later, of the budget bill in the committee stage, with the view, as is frankly admitted on the government side of the House, of enabling the budget to be recast, in the event that peace is secured. The tax on grain has proved so unpopular throughout the country, and has had an unexpected effect in reuniting the Liberal party with a most effective election cry, that there is little doubt the government will welcome an excuse to drop it.

The Daily Mail this morning says the Boer council to be held to-day will decide upon points of details, mostly of a financial nature, which have been raised by the Boers in the peace negotiations. Great Britain's decision in the matter will then be communicated to the Vereeniging conference by delegates at Pretoria, says the paper, and being the best obtainable terms, they will almost certainly be accepted. The results should be announced officially either Thursday or Friday of this week, probably on Friday, the day upon which King Edward's birth is celebrated. Peace is quite certain, says the Daily Mail, and the delegates at Pretoria are only engaged in endeavoring to gild the pill for the Vereeniging conference to swallow.

The Daily Mail says further: "Our dispatches from Pretoria assert that numerous communications are passing between Lord Kitchener and Lord Milner in South Africa and London.

"Lord Kitchener, although he is still full of energy, is much aged in appearance as a result of the severe strain which he has undergone. The consensus of opinion is that the recent negotiations have proved Lord Kitchener to be a great diplomatist, as well as a great soldier. It is difficult to appreciate the magnitude of the difficulties Lord Kitchener has had to contend with. The Boer leaders are all deeply impressed with his personality, and trust him implicitly. It is understood that Lord Milner, the high commissioner in South Africa, has gracefully admitted that the ultimate credit for the accomplishment of the great task is due to Lord Kitchener."

The Conference.

Pretoria, May 26. — The prevalence through South Africa of the optimistic feeling in regard to the peace negotiations is hardly based on solid facts. The protraction of the conference at Vereeniging is not necessarily a hopeful sign. The delegates to the conference, although they have abandoned their hopes of securing independence, still have some points of difference with the government. An obstinate minority continues to regard the resumption of hostilities as the best outcome of the present situation, and at any moment these points of difference may be accentuated into a refusal to continue the negotiations. It is most unlikely that those who are in favor of peace will throw up the sponge so long as a decent minority is desirous of continuing the struggle, and all the elements must be taken into account before it is possible to give any sort of prediction as to the issue of the present negotiations.

Forty-six Boers with their wagons and cattle surrendered at Balmoral, Transvaal, yesterday.

From The Hague.

The Hague, May 26.—It is stated in Boer circles here that the peace proposals made to the conference at Vereeniging, Transvaal, included the condition that the Boers in the field be allowed to consult with the Boer delegates in Europe before a definite settlement is reached. It is declared also, upon the same authority, that the British government refused May 23rd to accede to this request.

If a turtle be decapitated the headless body will walk about for a long time.

Indians Prophesy a Hot Summer

Last year during the hot summer months there were many people who suffered from thirst and asked their grocers for Mason's Celebrated English Root Beer, but the supply was not sufficient. This year Mr. George Carter, agent for Newball & Mason, has received a large consignment to supply the trade.

Ask your dealer for Mason's Root Beer.

THE LATE AMBASSADOR.

Remains of Lord Pauncefote Will Be Carried to England on Warship.

London, May 26. The British government has gratefully accepted the United States offer of a warship to bring home the body of Lord Pauncefote, late ambassador at Washington.

The Funeral.

Washington, May 26.—It is evident from the preparations so far that the funeral of the late Lord Pauncefote will be made a memorable occasion. All of the available military and naval forces in Washington and vicinity will take part in the procession. The services at St. John's church will be conducted by Coadjutor Bishop McKay Smith, though Bishop Satterlee will attend. The President and his cabinet, the diplomatic body, the Supreme court, the members of the senate, committee on foreign relations, and the house committee on foreign affairs, Admiral Dewey and General Miles and thir staffs, the bureau chiefs of the state department and the assistant secretaries from the other departments will attend.

Secretary Root has issued an order placing Major Hagen Young in charge of the military arrangements. An equal number of army and naval officers shall act as ushers at the church with Major McCawley, of the marine corps in charge. An equal number of enlisted men from the army and navy will act as body bearers. The funeral escort will consist of a squadron of cavalry from Fort Meyer, a battalion of engineers, marching as infantry, from Washington barracks, a battery of artillery from Fort Meyer, and a battalion of marines from local posts.

Messages of condolence continue to be received at the embassy in large numbers. Among those received to-day was one from King Edward.

GERMANS AND COMBINE.

Berlin, May 26.—The directors of the Hamburg-American line have issued a circular divulging the terms of agreement arrived at between the Morgan shipping combine and the Hamburg-American and the North German Lloyd lines. The two German companies undertake to pay the combine an annual sum equal to a dividend of shares amounting to at least 2,000,000 marks. This provision was agreed on when the capital of the German lines was 8,700,000 marks each, and in the event of an increase of the capital, a contingency which, in the meanwhile, has arisen, the combine reserved the right of increasing the annual sum accruing to it, to an amount equalling dividends on 25 per cent. of the capital stock. The syndicate in return pledges itself to pay the Germans six per cent. on a corresponding amount of capital.

The traffic of German companies at British ports and that of the combine lines at the Continental ports, is to be limited, subject to certain conditions. The North Atlantic cabin traffic of both parties is to be regulated by a special pooling arrangement, and it is agreed to maintain the present pool regarding steerage passengers. The freight business will be conducted under the existing agreements, excepting mutual precautions against outside competition.

The agreement further provides for the arbitration of the differences and it becomes inoperative in the event of war between the United States and Germany, Great Britain and Germany, or the United States and Great Britain.

Michael Marrisey, a rancher, was found dead near Calgary on Sunday. He was in the city last week, and is supposed to have died of pneumonia.

A Nightmare

Gives point to the fact that excessive or irregular eating disturbs the digestion. Nightmare or night hag has it's day time correspondence in the undue fullness after eating, with the belchings and sour or bitter rising so often experienced after too hasty or too hearty eating.

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KILLED BY A LIVE WIRE.

Two Persons Severely Burned at Montreal—Carnegie Library Offer Accepted.

Montreal, May 26.—Alfred Archambault, a 13-year-old boy, caught hold of a piece of telephone wire wound round a pole on Ambert street to-night and received a severe shock. He was unable to let go and his cries attracted the attention of Joseph Contant. Contant grasped the wire and received a shock which knocked him down. Another passerby, Wilfrid Bourden, grabbed the wire with both hands, and was instantly killed. Contant and Archambault were seriously burned. The wire had become crossed with an electric light wire.

The Montreal city council to-day formally accepted the offer of Andrew Carnegie of $150,000 for a civic library, the city to contribute $15,000 annually to its maintenance.

President Shaughnessy, of the C. P. R., to-night confirmed the appointment of E. H. McHenry, formerly of the Northern Pacific, as chief engineer of the road in succession to P. A. Peterson, who becomes consulting engineer.

Montreal, May 26.—Three hundred heavy carters employed by the Dominion Transport Company and Meldrum Bros., went out on strike this morning. The men demand $1.50 per day. They were receiving $1.25 to $1.40.

STRIKE IN COAL REGIONS.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 26.—The action of the engineers and pump runners in the Shamokin region in refusing to obey the call of the United Mine Workers to strike on June 2nd, in case the operators do not grant an eight-hour work day at the present wages, has a surprising effect in strike circles, although the leaders of the miners say there is no reason for the disagreement. Secretary Mullahy, of the Stationary Firemen's Association, of Pennsylvania, said to-day: "Undoubtedly some engineers and pumpmen will refuse to quit work, but when the time comes it will be found that the bulk of the men now at work will obey the call of the United Mine Workers." The local coal operators are of the opinion that what the engineers at Shamokin have done those in the Schuylkill, Lackawanna and Wyoming regions will do.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

A dispatch to the London Daily Express from Cairo, Egypt, says a report has reached there that a whole battalion of Turkish troops has been annihilated by rebels near Port of Ocha, in the Turkish vilayet of Yemen, in the southwestern part of Arabia.

Two mounted policemen have arrived at Estevan with William and John Martin, who were arrested with a band of horses in their possession, supposed to have been stolen.

A Toronto Evening Telegram cable says: "There have been six thousand applications for the six hundred seats allotted Lord Strathcona in the Colonial stand by the Imperial authorities."

A military balloon was struck by lightning near Augsburg, Bavaria, at an altitude of 500 metres. The only occupant of the basket at the time of the occurrence was Lieut. Vonhiller. When the balloon was struck it burst into flames and fell rapidly to the earth. Lieut. Vonhiller had the bones in both feet broken, but escaped further injury.

The four-decked passenger steamer Montreal, the largest vessel ever run down the St. Lawrence rapids, after receiving an extra cable to the steering gear, entered the first rapids yesterday afternoon for Coteau. The Montreal is 340 feet long, 74 feet 6 inches in width and costs $500,000. She was built at Toronto to run on the Saguenay.

The United States navy department has added more and perhaps the last to the good offices at which it has been called on to perform in behalf of the West Indian volcanic sufferers, by undertaking to transport to the homeless people of St. Vincent a large quantity of building lumber which the Canadian government has donated. The lumber is coming by rail from Canada through to Norfolk, where it will be loaded on the collier Leonidas and transported directly to St. Vincent.

ACCIDENTS IN SHOOTING.

It is a matter of wonder that far more accidents do not occur out shooting. It has been calculated that in the British Isles some 300,000 persons (of whom 250,000 take out either "game" or "shooting" licenses) shoot more or less in the course of the year; and it has been estimated that no less than 50,000,000 to 60,000,000 of cartridges are annually fired. Yet the accidents are few and far between. We have all had escapes; others, perhaps, may have had escapes from us. I have myself seen one fatal accident, I was near by when another one occurred—the two within four days of one another. But the actual accidents, great or small, that have come within one's own observation or knowledge are, I think, extraordinarily and providentially few.

And yet we have, on the one hand, our dangerous and our careless shots among us; and, on the other, we have the loitering beater and the ignorant "stop," who so often manage to occur in the unexpected spot. "He shot round me," was the graphic description given me of a reckless shot—"he shot round me, he shot above me, he shot below me, he shot at me; I was, as I may say, like the Burning Bush, 'in the midst of fire yet not consumed.'"

Lord Cardigan, of Balaklava fame, was once heard abusing his keeper for extravagance in using men instead of boys for "stops." "Beg pardon, my Lord," was the matter-of-fact reply, "but Your Lordship will remember that last year you shot down all the boys." The Fortnightly Review.

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SHIPPING

Still there are no arrivals from Dawson.

The steamer Cottage City, of the Pacific Coast steamship line, came from Skagway at 1 o'clock this morning with not a passenger from the northern interior, and reporting that La Barge is still unnavigable. She had on board about thirty odd passengers from the coast towns of Alaska, all of whom went on to the Sound. She brought news that placer ground, running $26 to the pan, is reported to have been discovered at the headwaters of the Kuskokwim and Malchatna rivers. The news of the find seriously crippled the trans-Alaska company, sixty of whose stage line employees threw up their jobs and stampeded to the new diggings. The find is within 160 miles of Illiamna, and singularly enough may be reached in summer by water, save the first 30 miles from Illiamna to Illiamna lake. The waters to be navigated are Illiamna lake, Lake Clark and Malchatna river.

A copy of the White Horse Star, received by the Cottage City, states that the first excursion of the season on the river was to have taken place last Sunday, when the steamer Wilbur Crimmins, Capt. Walter Langley master, would make the trip to the head of Lake La Barge and return. The excursion was under the management of Spencer Coates.

EMPRESS OF INDIA SAILS.

It was after 1 o'clock this morning when the R. M. S. Empress of India proceeded from here to the Orient. She was loaded deep with cargo and carried a good number of passengers. Among those who boarded her here was Martin J. Egan, formerly of Victoria, but now with the Associated Press, with headquarters at New York, who is going to the Orient on important newspaper business. The big white liner was detained until after 5 o'clock at Vancouver through the late arrival of the Eastern express there, and was further detained here by the tardy arrival of the Sound mail, of which there were 50 bags for her, the steamer Majestic not having got in until after midnight. In fact both came in at uncomfortable close quarters. When nearing the wharf the Majestic cut across the bow of the India, and those on shore watching the movements of either thought the smaller's fate sealed. By skillful management, however, disaster was averted, although the distance between the ships is said to have been not much more than a foot. At the wharf some little excitement was also created by the disappearance of one of the female passengers. Her companions were safely aboard, but the missing woman could not be located. Eventually, when found, she was arranging to go aboard the Charmer, having decided, without warning anyone, to return to Vancouver.

The next Empress due here will be the Japan. She left Yokohama on the 23rd, and as she has aboard the troops going from Hongkong to attend the coronation in London her arrival here will be awaited with interest.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

The department of marine and fisheries gives notice that a steel can buoy, painted red and black in horizontal bands, has been moored in 15 feet water on Kelp reef, off Entrance point, Stuart channel, southeast coast of Vancouver Island, in place of the spar buoy heretofore marking that danger.

The steel can buoy marking Grappler reef, Houston passage, between Admiral and Kuper islands, inside Vancouver Island, has been changed in color from red to black, in accordance with the announcement made in part two of notice to mariners No. 100 of 1901.

The day marks erected on Brockton point in 1897, to clear Parthia shoal, First narrows, entrance to Vancouver harbor, has been removed, as a new lighthouse, now under construction to replace the pole light on Brockton point, interrupted the range; and it is considered that the spar buoy off the shoal on the south side of the narrows and the day marks on the south shore are sufficient guides to clear the shoal.

HATZIC ANXIOUSLY LOOKED FOR

Unless the steamer Queen City on her return from Cape Scott and other coast points brings some advices regarding the schooner Hatzic there will be much anxiety felt for the absent sealer. She is the only schooner of the coast sealing fleet out that is due to arrive, and she should have reached here a couple of weeks ago. The schooner has not been spoken more than once during the season, and the identity of the schooner seen was uncertain. It has been thought up to the present that she went north, away from the other vessels of the fleet, as the weather prevailing after she went to sea would have a tendency to drive her in this direction, and to this reason her delay has been attributed. The schooner, which is in command of Capt. Daley, carries an Indian crew, and, if she has been in at any of the coast ports to land her natives the officers of the Queen City will know on their return.

TUGS SUCCEEDS DANUBE.

Another slight change in the operation of the C. P. N. fleet has taken place. The Tees is to take the place of the Danube on the Northern British Columbia run, and on Thursday next will leave for the north. In view of this arrangement it is expected that the Danube will be the vessel used for the transfer of the first shipment of ore from the Quatsino mine. This, according to the manager of the Yreka mine when in Victoria a week or so ago, was to be ready for export on or about the 10th of next month. The Danube will, for the time being, be laid up.

PICTURE PUZZLE.

Cotton Mather praying witchcraft out of a Danvers family. Find his associates.

MARINE NOTES.

The new steamer Venture, built at the Victoria machinery depot for northern transportation business, will, it is expected, make her trial trip on Saturday.

SCHOOL ON WHEELS.

The building of the sample roads is a striking novelty in its way, and, inasmuch as most of the machinery used is entirely new and wonderful to look upon, it is hardly possible that people should be otherwise than interested and amused. They have come together for a sort of jollification, and the whole affairs wears a holiday aspect suggestive of the circus or a county fair. Rural folks come incredible distances in all kinds of queer conveyances, bringing their wives and children with them, and gaze upon the proceedings with wide-eyed and open-mouthed absorption. They are being educated without realizing the fact.

When the train draws up at the station, there is a great hurrah and much excitement. Thousands of people are gathered together, old and young, the women dressed in best bib and tucker. Plenty of help is at hand, if any is wanted, for getting the heavy machinery off the flat cars. While this is being done, the teachers and engineers are welcomed by the local committee, already formed for the purpose of managing the convention, and the educational programme is carried out, with the incidental festivities, in an orderly and enjoyable way.

So far, it has been explained how the travelling school assembles the people, gives them an object-lesson in the art of road-building, and stirs up their interest in the subject. Most important of all, however, is the creation at each stopping place of a permanent road organization, which is formed before the convention adjourns. If three or four places are visited in one state, district organizations are established, and at the last stopping point a state organization is created, to which the district associations are auxiliary. A president is appointed for each state, and vice-presidents are named for the counties. Each vice-president starts a county association, and thus there comes into being a chain of federations, with a representative body at the capital city.

The conventions held at various points pass resolutions as to what ought to be done in the way of improving roads, and offer certain definite recommendations to the legislature of the state. Usually, before adjournment they appoint a date for meeting the following year. Everything possible is done to keep up popular interest in the subject. The county associations hold meetings, and educate the people by lectures on improved roads and by building object-lesson roads. Extending as it does through all parts of the state, such an organization controls an immense amount of influence, which may be specially directed to procuring useful legislation.—"The Good Roads Train" in Pearson's.

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As a gentleman was passing in a hansom cab across the Woolton golf links, near Liverpool, a driven ball came whizzing in his direction, and knocked him unconscious on the seat. He was carried to the club house, where a dotor attended to his injuries.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

GOVERNMENT AGAIN DEFEATED IN HOUSE

Mr. Oliver Scores Ministry on Railway Policy—They Again Fall Back on Private Business.

Press Gallery, May 26th.

The government got a surprise party again this afternoon, when the opposition tied them on Mr. McInnes's motion that Mr. Houston do now speak, which was practically an appeal from the chair. Messrs. Ellison and Gilmour voted with the opposition, and the Speaker gave his casting vote with the opposition. Mr. Ellison's vote was a surprise to many, though not to those who have known his disgust at the government's course of late.

Messrs. Murphy and Martin, both of whom are on legal business to the interior, are paired.

Col. Prior, continuing his remarks re the Fernie disaster, said both the company and the government had done their duty, and the accident must have laid with either Providence or the men. There were no Japs or Chinese in the mine, but many Slavs.

Some of these men had been found carrying pipes and tobacco into the mine, notwithstanding that this was in direct contravention of the law, and the great danger to their fellow employees. He read a report from Inspector Dick, filed in March, stating that nine men had been found in the mines with pipes and tobacco and five with matches. The latter were prosecuted. The law, however, did not cover the possession of tobacco.

The department in consequence wrote Manager Stockett, suggesting that he draft special rules for the mines, forbidding men having tobacco in their possession, and the department would gladly approve them. These were drafted, and the government also wrote to the manager asking him to draw the attention of the justice of the peace, who presided at the trial, the lightness of the sentence. He thought it was due possibly to some of these men that the accident had occurred. He believed that the disaster was due to an explosion of coal dust, brought about by blown out shot. That, however, remained to be seen and was problematical.

The government and the House's sympathy was with the families of these men, but it was due to no fault of the government or the inspectors.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite said he regretted the government had taken advantage of the resolution to put in a special plea for themselves. This was not the proper time to do so. Having done so and put in a special plea for the government, inspector and owners, he made an attack on the miners, and thus challenged a retort.

The Minister of Mines said he had made no attack, but had merely stated facts.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite said he would bring rebuttal evidence of those statements. He himself had asked the Minister of Mines if any certificates had been refused. He had information that 35 men had failed to pass the examiners, but had afterwards been sent back by the company to the working force. If this were true they were most likely to cause the explosions, and not the qualified miners. The proportion of lives lost in the coal mines of this province was terrible. It was disgraceful, and exceeded that of any other country in the civilized world. Something had to be done to stop this holocaust.

At the same time he paid a compliment to the government for their prompt action in taking steps to relieve the distress, and he hoped they would continue to extend prompt relief.

The Minister of Mines asked if Mr. Hawthornthwaite considered he was relieved of responsibility, if he knew of these facts and did not apprise the government.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite replied that he had been moving in that direction, and as soon as he got the proper data he intended moving censure of the government.

Mr. McBride followed in a short speech, expressive of the sympathy of the opposition with those bereft.

Mr. Neill suggested setting apart a certain amount by the government to be funded for the orphans and widows. Some of the latter might not have habits of economy, but a considerable sum, the interest of which would be available regularly for those in need, might be preferable.

Mr Curtis voiced his sympathy with the Fernie sufferers. He had no doubt steps would be taken to prevent a recurrence of these disasters. He commended the government for its prompt steps, and said anything they did to relieve suffering at Fernie would be endorsed by the House.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Columbia & Western.

Mr. Oliver drew attention to the fact that it was proposed to consider a message from His Honor the Lieut.-Governor transmitting a bill to amend the Columbia & Western Railway Subsidy Act, 1896. He thought it was advisable to have the correspondence, and therefore moved:

"That an order of the House be granted for a return of copies of all correspondence, agreements, orders-in-council, or any other papers or documents in any way relating to the surrender by the Columbia & Western Railway Company of their right to construct the fifth and sixth sections of their line of railway; also for copies of all correspondence, agreements, orders-in-council, or other papers or documents in any way relating to the granting of a land subsidy for the fourth section of the beforementioned company's line of railway."

The government consented to bring down the data and to pass the order pending the submission of the necessary data. Mr. Oliver therefore withdrew his motion.

By Message.

The Finance Minister presented to Mr. Speaker a message from His Honor the Lieut.-Governor, which read as follows:

Henri G. Joly de Lotbiniere,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieut.-Governor transmit herewith a bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act,'" and recommends the same to the legislative assembly.

Government House, May 26th, 1902.

Ordered, that the said message, and the bill accompanying the same, be referred to a committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Answers.

Mr. Curtis asked the government the following questions: 1. Upon whose advice or at whose request did the Ministers of the Crown recommend to His Honor the Lieut.-Governor the appointment of Frank Walker a police commissioner for the city of Rossland? 2. When was such request made or advice given, and to which Minister or Ministers? 3. Was such request made or advice given verbally or in writing?

Hon. Mr. Eberts replied as follows: "1. Decline to answer. Ministers of His Honor assume the responsibility. 2. Answered as above. 3. Answered as above."

Mr. McBride asked the government the following question: What are the past and future services performed, and to be performed, by Mr. J. N. Greenshields, K. C., as representative of the local government, and mentioned in the answers of the Hon. Mr. Wells to question No. 2, as per votes and proceedings of the 21st instant?

Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows: "The services performed were in connection with certain matters of negotiation between the provincial and Dominion governments. The services to be performed are in connection with all matters of negotiation between the provincial and Dominion governments."

Mr. McBride asked the government the following questions: 1. Is there any person in the Atlin district authorized to act as sheriff or sheriff's deputy or bailiff? 2. Have any requests been made to the government to have a sheriff or sheriff's deputy appointed for the Atlin district? If so, what action has the government taken? 3. In the event of no action being taken by the government up to date, is it the intention of the government to have a sheriff or sheriff's deputy stationed in the Atlin district during the coming season?

Hon. Mr. Eberts replied as follows: "1. I am informed by the sheriff for the county of Vancouver that it has been impossible for him to secure the services of a satisfactory deputy to act. He has a bailiff there, however. 2. Yes. The sheriff (whose duty it is) has been instructed to appoint a deputy."

Mr. McBride asked if the sheriff failed to appoint a deputy would the government do so.

The Attorney-General said that the sheriff of Vancouver county explained that there was difficulty in getting a suitable deputy, owing to the fees, and it was intended to appoint a sheriff for Atlin.

Adjourned Debate.

The government then passed to committe of supply and the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. McInnes, "That Mr. Houston do now speak," and the motion moved by Mr. McBride, "That Mr. Tatlow do now speak."

Mr. McBride continued the debate, and Mr. A. W. Smith moved the previous question.

A vote was therefore taken on the question, "That Mr. Tatlow do now speak." This was defeated, 18—10.

A Tie.

Mr. Houston then moved that the question be now put, and Mr. Oliver took a point of order that the question had not been properly stated. In this he was supported by several members.

The previous question was carried, and the motion of Mr. McInnes, "That the member for Nelson do now speak," a practical appeal from the Speaker's decision—put.

The House divided and names being called the House tied.

The Speaker—How does the member for East Yale vote?

Mr. Ellison—To sustain the chair. (Applause.)

The House being tied, the Speaker was called on to give the casting vote, amid opposition cheers.

The Speaker—Well there is no doubt about it. I saw the member for Delta first.

The motion was then carried, while the opposition loudly applauded.

Mr. Houston here rose to speak.

The Speaker—I saw Mr. Oliver first. You would not take my word for it.

Mr. Finance Minister went down to expostulate with Mr. Ellison, but Mr. McBride shouted, "You're all right, Price," while the Finance Minister made a gesture of derision across the floor at Mr. McBride.

Mr. Oliver's Amendment.

Mr. Oliver then resumed the debate on the following amendment offered by him, "That the House has no confidence in the railway policy of the government."

In doing so he said he noticed that certain provisions and safeguards in the draft agreement with the Edmonton & Yukon railway were omitted from the signed contract. That contract, signed by the Premier, had omitted features which the Premier had stated he would not consent to omit from any contract hereafter.

All the valuable cedar areas were to be relieved from paying revenues to the province, as required by law. Large spruce timber, useless for pulp, were also exempted. There were certain provisions protecting miners, but none protecting agricultural settlers.

The contract, too, was utterly inexplicit in its terms in regard to the ferry service. The company could put on a steam ferry suitable or not, which would fulfil the conditions of the agreement.

The ferry also was to connect with Vancouver Island at a suitable point. From the head of Bute Inlet to the nearest point on Vancouver Island was about 70 miles. But it did not even follow that the ferry should touch at the nearest, but at the most feasible point. The only feasible point he could find was in the neighborhood of Wellington, about 175 miles, or it might come to Nanaimo. The only feasible point to connect with a railway running on Vancouver Island was to somewhere where it would connect with the E. & N. The government proved conclusively that the interests of Victoria were not being seriously considered in this matter at all. They had deluded the voters of Victoria into the belief that the bill made provision for close connection with a railway to Victoria, which it did not. Neither was there a provision compelling the government to extend their railway to Frederick Arm, thus shortening the distance to Vancouver Island.

The discreditable action of the government in holding out false promises to Victoria to induce them to send a government supporter to the House was also alluded to. He believed the agreement with Mackenzie & Mann was a binding agreement, yet the government had not taken steps to carry out that agreement, and it showed how grievously the people of Victoria had been deluded.

There was a more serious aspect still to the people of British Columbia. Years ago the government of Canada entered into an agreement with Mackenzie & Mann to build to the Yukon, on lines similar to that made by the present government. That agreement was rejected by the Senate, and Mackenzie & Mann at once brought action against the government, and only the other day received $400,000 in damages for breach of that agreement. The government of British Columbia had entered into a similar compact, and not having carried out their agreement the province would likely be sued for a large sum. He asked the Attorney-General why he omitted section 22.

The Attorney-General did not answer.

Mr. Oliver said the Attorney-General might treat the matter with levity, but the country would take a more serious view of it. (Applause.)

The Atetorney-General—Hoot.

Mr. Oliver—Well, honorable gentlemen are not out of this yet, and that hoot may be turned to a squeal before we are through with them.

Mr. Curtis—I will tell you the reason. The government want to give Mackenzie & Mann a big action for damages.

Mr. Oliver, continuing, said the Loan bill of last year provided for connection with Victoria from English Bluff. But this agreement with McLean Brothers called for connection with the ferry of the Victoria Terminal railway at the mouth of the Fraser. But if the Terminal railway failed to run such ferry the company was not bound to connect with Victoria. Neither were they bound to connect with any other ferry.

His own district, too, was ignored. The Coast-Kootenay were not obliged to run south of the Fraser, and to go either to Delta or Chilliwack. What did it mean? Merely that the C.P.R., whom he was convinced were the sponsors of the bill, could extend their Steveston branch to Westminster; that they could parallel their line to Spence's Bridge and through Nicola Valley, where they fully intended to build. The C.P.R. could build out to Spence's Bridge and lift the subsidy. They could connect by ferry to Ladysmith and still carry out the agreement. If the facts were not as he stated, how was it that certain changes had been made in the last bill?

A year or two ago the government would pay no subsidy till the road was completed and in running order. But under this bill they could collect on every twenty miles constructed, or every ten miles of mountain section constructed. If they failed they forfeited only $100,000, the subsidy on twenty-five miles of road.

In relation to the land grant, if the House were to accept as the government's policy the last two bills which contained no land subsidies, he would like to know why it was necessary to give a million acres of land to McLean Bros. He had heard it stated that the reason the land grant was given McLean Brothers was in order that it would not contrast too vividly with the Canada Northern contract. The promoters had repeatedly told himself and other members previous to the contract being made that they were willing to drop the land grant. Was not that proof that the government was not trying to make the best bargain for the country? Considering these facts he was only surprised that the House had not put the government into a position where it could do no more harm.

He also wanted to know why a clause had been retained in the McLean Brothers' contract that was eliminated from the Edmonton-Yukon contract, namely, that the House was to ratify the agreement before it became law.

He regretted that more ministerial members did not remain to hear him. If they did so he felt sure they would not vote for these bills.

Concluding, he said if honorable members would consider the railway policy of the government from the standpoint of right they would agree with him that the government should be condemned.

Capt. Tatlow asked why two distinct lines of policy had been submitted by the government? It was necessary, he said, to consider both, as it was hard to say which would be adopted.

One of those agreements was with a straw man—the Edmonton & Yukon Railway company, without assets of any kind. The other was with a shadow company, one not yet incorporated. It was with such people that the government proposed to lock up 13,000,000 acres of land and $4,000,000 in cash. It was almost 600 miles from Yellowhead Pass to Frederick Arm, and at 20,000 acres a mile that meant 12,000,000 acres.

The Attorney-General said it was only 528 miles.

Continuing, Capt. Tatlow said this additional charge would leave the province in a lamentable condition for the purpose of carrying out the necessary public works of the province.

He here read from the railway survey proving the accuracy of his statements regarding the length of the railway.

He held that this would bring the standing charges up to one-half the revenue of the country.

The bill was extraordinary, too, for the absence of the safeguards of the Loan bill of last year. The C.P.R. wishing to make connection with their road to Spence's Bridge could lift the bonus from that section, building up to Allison or to Princeton.

In the Loan bill of last year a revenue of two per cent. was provided for; in the present bill it was only in lieu of taxation.

He moved the adjournment of the debate and the House rose till 8:30.

EVENING SESSION.

The House resumed at 8:15 p.m.

The Finance Minister moved that the House should proceed to the order of public bills in the hands of private members.

Mr. McBride objected to such an extraordinary departure from the ordinary routine. The government was once again demonstrating its utter inability to control the House and to carry on the business of the country. The motion of the Minister of Finance was not in order.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion in order.

Mr. McBride continued to criticize the position of the government amidst cries of "order," and finally appealed from the Speaker's ruling. He said that he regretted having to protest against the opinion of the chair, but a motion that the House should proceed to the orders of the day was different to the motion before the House, that they should proceed to one particular order, which was not the first in the printed order of precedence. The object of the motion of the minister was to shelve the public business in order to take up the Game Protection Act Amendment bill. He wondered if anything could show more clearly the weakness of the government. When the House adjourned in the afternoon important railway bills were under consideration, and the adjourned debate on the budget was next on the order paper. But the government now pretended that the bill to amend the Game act was more important and should be dealt with first. The government was obviously afraid to face the House with public business. It had been defeated in the afternoon, and it would be defeated again.

Mr. Speaker called Mr. McBride to order, directing him to confine his remarks to the question before the House.

Several new points of order were then taken by Mr. McPhillips, Mr. Oliver and Mr. Rogers.

Mr. McBride protested against a remark which he had overhead from the government side of the House to the effect that the sergeant-at-arms should be requested to remove him.

Mr. Gilmour moved that the question be now put.

This lead to a somewhat heated debate and some disorder, after which the motion that the question be put was carried by 18 votes to 15, the ruling of the Speaker was upheld against Mr. McBride's appeal, and Hon. Mr. Prentice's motion agreed to.

Game Protection.

Mr. Hayward then moved the third reading of the Game Protection Act Amendment bill.

The Attorney-General asked leave to move a new section to the bill, which he said would add to the general efficiency of the law.

Mr. Hayward, however, objected, and the bill was read a third time and passed.

Stood Over.

Mr. Curtis moved that the bill respecting deception in procuring workmen or employees should be reported.

Mr. Hunter asked Mr. Curtis to consent to the motion being stood over until the next sitting of the House, as he was anxious to move an amendment to the bill, which he had not yet had time to have printed.

Mr. Curtis agreed, and the motion to report was accordingly adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Supreme Court Bill.

The Supreme Court bill was committed, with Mr. Helmcken in the chair. The bill was reported complete with amendments.

The House rose at 11:35.

The Good Housekeeper uses GRAPE-NUTS and drops out meat just now all Grocers

Personal.

Mrs. S. D. Ellwood and Miss Z. E. Brown, of Illinois, and Miss Sue B. Scott, Miss Courtney Moore, Miss R. Schaefer, all of Lexington, Ky., form a party of tourists making a pleasure tour of the Coast. They are at the Victoria, and express themselves as much pleased with what they have seen of the capital city of British Columbia. This morning, after having been supplied with numerous pamphlets of the Tourist Association descriptive of the pleasure resorts of Victoria, they left on a visit to Beacon Hill park and inspected the parliament buildings on their return.

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A. B. Bond, of the electrical department of the Snoqualmie Power Co., of Tacoma and Seattle, is visiting the city. Mr. Bond is stationed at Tacoma. The company's plant is the finest on the continent, with the exception of the one at Niagara Falls. It lights both Seattle and Tacoma. The Snoqualmie Falls, which generate this power, are about sixty miles from Seattle, and have a drop of about 275 feet.

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W. Von Rhein and T. M. Brayshaw, accompanied by Jos. Crossan, of Nanaimo, left for Seattle yesterday, where they joined the party of delegates leaving for the convention of the Grand Aerie of Eagles to be held in Minneapolis.

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H. H. Woods and wife, who have been touring in California, paid their first visit to Victoria yesterday, and will start for their home in Welsford, N. B., this evening. They are staying at the Dominion.

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Rev. R. P. Blyth, of the Congregational church, and Miss Blyth, left for Seattle this morning en route East. Miss Blyth will stay at Toronto, while Mr. Blyth will go on to Ottawa.

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Capt. Hickey, of the steamer R. P. Rithet, who has been ailing from an acute attack of sciatica during the last four or five months, is again able to take command of his vessel.

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E. B. Hussey, purchasing agent for the White Pass route, was among the arrivals from Seattle by the steamer Rosalie yesterday. He is among the guests at the Driard hotel.

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B. C. Alexander, travelling representative of the B. C. Permanent Loan & Savings Co., is in the city. He is accompanied by Mrs. Alexander. They leave this evening for Vancouver.

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C. W. Frank and F. A. Puyzant returned yesterday from Comox where they have been prospecting for a few weeks in the hills. They have nothing of importance to report.

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H. Lawson and wife, of Dominion City, Manitoba, who have been staying in Vancouver for some little time, arrived here yesterday and are at the Dominion.

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R. J. Neary, who has charge of the long distance telephone between Victoria and Duncans, is in the city on business and is a guest at the Queen's hotel.

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E. H. Hicks-Beach, of Duncans, left on the Boscowitz for Port Essington last evening. He made the Victoria hotel his headquarters while in the city.

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L. C. Newlands, one of the staff of the V. T. & S. railway, and Henry H. Newill, editor of the Crofton Gazette, are registered at the Dominion hotel.

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Governor Ross left for Vancouver last evening on the steamer Charmer and will take the Princess May from the latter city for Dawson.

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Capt. Clark, the shipbuilder of Ballard, Wash., who has been spending the past few days at the Queen's, has returned to the Sound.

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A. B. McInnes, of Alexandra, is in the city and intends leaving for Scotland in a few days. He is a guest at the Oriental hotel.

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W. Willis, of Vancouver, who is connected with the railway mail service on the C. P. R. trains, is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

E. W. Molander, of Port Townsend, is at the Victoria hotel. Mr. Molander is interested in properties at Mount Sicker.

A. W. Vowell, superintendent of Indian affairs, left to-day on official business for Cowichan and Kuper Island.

Robert Draney, of the Namu Canning & Trading Company, at Namu Harbor, is staying at the Dominion.

Mrs. A. H. MacNeill, of Rossland, arrived in the city this morning, and is registered at the Driard hotel.

J. F. Lee, of Seattle, and W. Wulfsohn, of New York, registered at the Driard hotel this morning.

Horace M. Walton, a commercial man of New York, is among the guests at the Victoria hotel.

Mrs. Geo. Hawes, of Sidney, is a guest at the Queen's hotel.

F. Garson, of Vancouver, is in the city on business. He is at the Queen's hotel.

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REGIMENTAL ORDER.

Changes in Consequence of Departure of Regiment Contingent for Coronation.

The following regimental order has been issued by Major Munro, commanding the Fifth Regiment, C.A.:

Regimental Headquarters,
Victoria, B. C., May 26, 1902.

In accordance with Militia Order No. 104, the following members are detailed to represent the regiment in coronation contingent: Captain Martin, Sergeant-Major Mulcahy, Co. Sergt.-Major Bailey, Co. Sergt.-Major Lettice, Sergt. Lorimer and Gunner Smethurst.

Taken on: No. 3 Co., No. 149, Daniel Knigh, May 17, 1902.

Officers commanding companies will parade those men who were absent from inspection at the drill hall on Thursday evening next at 8 p. m. Officers commanding companies will attend themselves and detail a N. C. O. from their respective companies.

The following district order is published for general information:

"May 26, 1902.

"During the absence of Sergt.-Major Mulcahy on duty with the coronation contingent, the duties of caretaker of the drill hall, Victoria, will be carried out by Corporal R. O. Clarke, assistant caretaker.

"J. G. HOLMES, Lt.-Col.,
"D. O. C. 11."

During the absence of Sergt.-Major Mulcahy, Corp. R. O. Clarke will take charge of the recruit class on Monday evenings.

"The Mammoth" Bankrupt Clothing Store has been given notice to move by June 23rd, and by that time every article in this store must be disposed of. Remember the date and the place, 111 Government St. Moving Out Sale commences to-morrow.

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CORONATION DAY.

Meeting of Tourist Association Discuss Some Arrangement for Celebration.

At a meeting of the executive of the Tourist Association last night, H. Cuthbert, the travelling representative, reported that the Southern Pacific Railway Company had agreed to issue excursion tickets so as to enable Californians to participate in the coronation celebration in this city next month.

In connection with the forthcoming celebration, it was pointed out that in addition to the naval and military display the Societies' Re-union would take place on the 27th and 28th prox., and there would be a baseball match between Victoria and the Stanford university team.

An invitation will be extended to the Mystic Shriners, who meet in Portland next month, too visit Victoria during the celebration, and a similar invitation will be sent to the Grand Lodge of the A.O.U.W., which assembles in Portland on the 20th prox.

The proceeds of the Fifth Regiment band concert at the drill hall a short time ago amounted to $60. A vote of thanks was passed to the band.

A letter was read from the Hon. J. H. Turner, the Agent-General in London, stating that he would gladly assist the association in distributing their literature in England.

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HAVING A PLEASANT TIME.

The members of the Legislative Assembly appear to have taken up their permanent abode with us. Victorians are very much pleased to have them, and there is no reason to doubt they enjoy their residence here very much indeed. All parts of the province have their attractions, no doubt, but even the members from Vancouver—whose chief complaint is said to be that the atmosphere here is a trifle on the dry side—have been heard in moments of candor to admit that Victoria would be an ideal place if it were just a little bit more lively. Nevertheless there are compensations for the few disabilities under which we suffer. The times are sometimes lively enough in the House. As the government is getting more nervous every day, it is afraid to attempt to deal with any of the measures it has introduced, and there appears to be no possibility of a termination of the proceedings unless one or two of the members who now afford it a sort of tentative support and thus prolong its misery be moved to compassion at the sight of the pitiable plight of the poor paralytic and deal it a last merciful stroke. And this government has tried so very hard to please the members too. Its railway policy has been embodied in a variety of agreements, contracts and bills. Still the House refuses to rest content, even after another masterly exposition of the provisions of the very last bill which purports to emanate from the brain and hands of the Ministers. After all, however, there is no reason why the government should despair. There is nothing to prevent its trying its hand again. It has no dignity to lose and there is no hope of its gaining prestige. But there is office to lose, and what is self-respect when placed in the balance against such a possibility as that? Then there is the succession to the Premiership to struggle for. That should be worth something, especially to an ambitious man like the Colonel, who by order of the courts has thrown aside the mantle of leader of the federal Conservatives of British Columbia—with no hope of attaining anything more tangible in a quarter of a century—for the purpose of stepping into the shoes and honors of he who hopes to become Sir James. All these things are worth bringing down half a dozen more railway policies in the effort to grasp. What do the gibes and jeers of the opposition amount to when set down against them? The government was defeated again yesterday. What of that? It has the confidence of the Lieut.-Governor, which is of more importance to it at the present time than the confidence of the electorate or of the House. It will not give up until it has brought down a railway policy which will satisfy every one of its tentative supporters and convert them into out-and-outers. It will even go the length of introducing a policy to suit the case of every one of the individual kickers. If that policy cannot be pushed through, the government will have the satisfaction of knowing that it fought a good fight—that its conscience is clear. It brought Mr. Greenshields all the way from Montreal to help to elect the Colonel. He did his work well and the Colonel is Minister of Mines. The curious thing is that with all his Parliamentary experience he is as helpless as the rest of his colleagues to expedite business. So, taking one consideration with another, it is evident that unless the government brings down the individual railway policy we have mentioned or executes a flank movement upon its friends and recommends His Honor to prorogue the House suddenly when the private business has been transacted, the members might as well settle down to make a summer of it. The shooting promises to be fair around Victoria the coming fall. The members should send for their "irons."

THE GAME LAWS.

The confiscation of nearly thirty brace of grouse and the conviction and punishment of the men found in possession of them a few days ago should direct attention to the necessity for an amendment to the game laws of the province. Or shall we stand calmly by and see one of the most valuable of our assets slowly but certainly wiped out of existence? In the present state of the province it is manifestly absolutely impossible to rigidly enforce a close season. The country is too extensive to be covered completely, even if we were to follow the example of the neighboring states and provinces and secure the appointment of game wardens. But it is not the shooting of an isolated bird out of season that is playing havoc with the most valuable of our game birds—the possession of which has been found by countries which have been through the same experience as ourselves, and are now engaged in the work of restocking at very heavy cost, to be of inestimable value. The people who hunt grouse for the sake of their market value are the ones who are exterminating the game of British Columbia. They will kill any kind of game that crosses their path regardless of the laws of man or the appeals of outraged nature. The region in which the two who were convicted operated will be left very nearly desolate this season, as far as game is concerned. To meet the case of this class of people, as well as that of those who are just as culpable as they are, it will be necessary to pass a law absolutely prohibiting the sale of grouse. That is the only effective remedy for the evil, as has been demonstrated by experience on the other side of the line. The denser the population becomes the more stringent the laws must be made. Stores and cold storage warehouses must be open to inspection. When these reforms are brought about, as they assuredly will be before long, the institutions which should have been the foremost in assisting in the observance of the law will only have themselves to blame for the suspicion with which they are regarded. The removal of the trout and the willow grouse from the market has had a good effect. The placing of the blue grouse in the same category will not by any means reduce our game laws to a state of perfection, but it will be an important reform and others will follow.

IMPERIAL QUESTIONS.

Mr. Kruger unintentionally proved an important factor in hastening the consolidation of the British Empire. Another prominent figure in the world promises to second the efforts of Oom Paul to some purpose. The latest to figure in this great work is Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan. The manoeuvres of this unique magnate have drawn the attention of Imperial statesmen to some possibilities of the future and to the necessity of taking measures to meet any further combinations which may be formed. The amalgamated Atlantic lines all have their terminii in the United States. Their supplies will for the most part be bought in the United States. They will be nominally under the British flag, but the advantages of ownership will all be transferred to the American side. The material advantage to the people of Great Britain from the nominal ownership will not be very great, we imagine. Then there is the connection with United States railways also to be taken into consideration. The combination will probably be effective throughout a very large part of the continent. The water and land lines will work together, and although it is quite true that John Bull can build ships quicker than any of his rivals, he may find himself handicapped, if not actually boycotted, when he attempts to introduce a new element into the situation. If the railroads direct all their business to certain steamship lines, what will the effect be on those which refuse to enter the combination? The combine may not rest satisfied with the control of one ocean and a large part of one continent. It may extend its influence into Canada, across the Pacific and over the parts of Asia which are open the trade and commerce of the world.

We notice that many Britishers affect to regard these developments as only natural. They say the goods to be transported are for the most part American, and it is inevitable that American steamers should eventually carry them. Do not the people who buy the goods, or to whom it is proposed to sell the goods, have as large an interest in them as those who are anxious to dispose of them? It would be just as reasonable to say the Americans ought to own the Liverpool docks, because it was with the profits of American trade they were built. If trade be profitable alike to buyer and seller, then surely the interest in the goods must be common and United States shipowners are possessed of no greater rights in the premises than the British. But abstract questions of moral rights, no matter how they may be regarded, will have no practical influence upon the situation which has been created by the mergers under consideration. There are possibilities connected with these combinations which have caused alarm, and the question that has arisen is as to Canada's position now and as to what her position may be in the future. The Atlantic amalgamation might affect the position of Canadian railroads very seriously. It is within its power to direct that the vast crops of the Northwest shall be transported over the roads it controls and handled at the ports it favors. Hence the agitation for a distinctly Canadian line of Atlantic steamers, to be controlled by a board of trustees appointed by the Canadian government in return for a liberal subsidy. If it were not so controlled there could be no guarantee that such a line, subsidy and all, would not be acquired by the Morgan interests, who never hesitate to have their way in spite of obstacles. This is one of the matters which will receive consideration at the conference between the Colonial office and the Colonial Premiers. It may also develop that it is not by any means the least of the questions which will there receive consideration.

"Gipsy Smith, His Life and His Work by Himself," is one of the most recent publications of the Fleming H. Revell Company, Toronto. An exchange speaks of it as one of the most romantic, picturesque, inspiring and even pathetic biographies of recent years. Who is Gipsy Smith? The son of gipsies, born in a gipsy tent, brought up under gipsy limitations and degradations, who turns out to be the foremost and most successful lay evangelist of England—some say of the English speaking peoples. Smith has little or no school education, but he has an amazing power of reaching men's hearts. He is not a sensationalist, but he is himself the evangelistic sensation in England, crowding the largest houses wherever he speaks. One of the London dailies says that he is "one of the finest exponents of the possibilities of Anglo-Saxon speech since the days of John Bright." The book is not a mere prosaic life chronicle, but is rich in anecdotes of great illustrative value.

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The member for North Nanaimo, anxious to listen to the one member who can rise to higher flights of burning eloquence than himself, moved that "the member for Nelson do now speak." And the member for Nelson gave him an example of conciseness and brevity by moving "that the question be now put."

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At the battle of Hart's River the Boers were kept at bay by the Canadians to the tune of the "Maple Leaf Forever." This is the first time our national air has done duty as a war song, but there is no reason why we as Canadians should be ashamed of that occasion.

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The government was defeated again yesterday; but it would be as reasonable to expect it to resign as to look to the Colonel to keep his pledges to the people of Victoria.

GOOD-NIGHT.

Denver News.

Little boy sweetheart, with eyes that shine
Blue as the skies on a summer morn,
Lips that are wreathed in a smile divine,
Velvety cheek that is pressed to mine,
Life has seemed fairer since you were born;
Fold up your petals, my rosebud white,
Good night, my baby, good night,
Good night.

Little boy sweetheart, I love you so!
How deep that love you will never know,
Night after night, when my work is through,
Worn out and weary, I come to you,
Bend o'er your couch till upon my ear
Falls a faint music I yearn to hear,
Made by your breathing so soft and light.
Good night, my baby, good night,
Good night.

Sometime in days that are yet to be,
In the last hours you shall come to me,
You who shall stand at your life's proud prime,
I whose head shall be touched with rime,
There shall we part for the last sad time,
Then, as the world recedes from view,
On your dear face I will turn my sight,
And out of death I will call to you,
Good night, my baby, good night,
Good night.

A PUFF FOR CANADA.

Detroit News.

"At no period since the settlement of Canada has it received so large an inflow of immigration as within the last two years. The production of the country is immense, when it is considered that the population is not over 5,500,000. Manufacturing industries are increasing, and are generally prosperous. The men managing them are enterprising, and with great energy are seeking trade all over the world.

"The agricultural wealth of the country is enormous. Immense cultivated areas furnish grain for the miller; fruit and vegetables for the canner; beef, pork and mutton for the meat trade; and cream for the butter and cheese factories. Canada's forests are now regarded as one of the chief sources for the supply of pulp wood for the paper industry of the world; and on her famous fisheries rest many important industries. Great deposits of the finest iron have recently been found; while good lead, asbestos, nickel, copper, silver and mica mines are being opened up in all directions.

"No country except the United States has gone forward so rapidly in its transportation facilities as Canada. In 1867 the total railway track laid was 2,087 miles, and in 1900 it was 17,824 miles. Several hundred miles were added last year. The total amount spent in construction and enlargement up to 1900 was $95,316,000, of which $74,500,000 was expended since Confederation. Canada can justly boast of having one of the most complete systems of canals in the world. The government since Confederation have contributed for the construction of railways and canals $262,921,000. The total capital invested in railways and canals in Canada is $1,100,000,000.

"During 1901 Canada reached the highest mark in her progress. Compared with 10 years ago, her exports have doubled, having increased from $98,000,000 to $196,000,000, while her imports have grown from $119,000,000 to $190,000,000. These figures are evidence of great prosperity. The value of farm products in Manitoba alone last year was $40,000,000, exclusive of the revenue derived from the sale of stock, hay, or root crops. During the year the Canadian Pacific sold 830,000 acres, compared with 416,000 acres in 1900. The Canada Northwest Land Company disposed of 121,000 acres, compared with 71,000 acres in the preceding year.

"During last month, there were 101,029.22 acres sold by the Canadian Pacific for $333,852.22; for the same month in 1901, 4,614 acres were sold for $12,262.47."

PROTECTION WANTED.

New York Evening Post.

We are being ruined by Canadian cheap frogs' legs! According to trustworthy advices, large quantities of them are being shipped across the Canadian borders into the markets of the United States. This is horrible. What are our members of Congress thinking of? Have we no lands fit for growing of frogs? We think we have; we think there are large tracts of land where frogs would be willing to grow practically for their board and washing. If there are no frog farms, it is high time we extended "encouragement," so that the industry may be established on a paying basis. At present we are simply doing nothing or just as bad as nothing. It is true that imported frogs pay a pitiful ten per cent. if undressed, and twenty per cent. if dressed, but not as frogs specifically. The ten per cent. is collected on the ground that they are "unmanufactured articles not specially enumerated." This is a pretty way to refer to an industry whose possibilities are limitless, if only a little "encouragement" were offered. What we want is a good stiff duty on frogs as frogs, and then we want a large force of inspectors to see that no untaxed frog jumps across the border. American frogs are good enough, we guess, and we believe in America for the Americans.

WISDOM OF A TOLEDO JUDGE.

Toledo Times.

Judge Kinkade has handed down a remarkable decision in the divorce case of Mrs. Minnie Miller against Frank Miller. It was a complete victory for the wife, she being given a decree and $600 alimony. The case had been on trial nearly five days. Judge Kinkade said: "I am glad to note by the husband's own testimony and by many witnesses, that this little woman is a fine cook. Mere people are on the road to perdition through bad cooking and bad housekeeping than through intemperance. There is but one thing as I see it that was needed to keep his family together, and that was a baby. A baby would have taught them the philosophy of life. It would have taught them to forget the troubles and anxieties of the day and to lie down to pleasant dreams. It would have taught them not to awake with any grudge against the other. It would have taught them to be cheerful and to smile instead of fretting. There's more philosophy bundled up in a baby than in many books. If a family can have but one of two things, a baby or a bicycle, they'd better have a baby. One would furnish about as much exercise as the other."

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DOGS OF CONSTANTINOPLE.

The kindness of Moslems toward these four-footed pariahs of their streets is the more astonishing when it is considered that the dog, being held to be an unclean animal, is never admitted into their houses. Concern for the welfare of this animal has indeed occasionally induced pious Turks to add to their good works testmentary bequests in favor of the dogs of their quarter of the city of which the "dean and chapter" of the mosques—or their Moslem equivalents—are constituted the permanent trustees and administrators. Some recent writers on Constantinople have asserted that the number of these canine lazzaroni of its streets have greatly diminished of late years. One can, however, at the present day hardly walk a dozen yards, even in the European quarter of Pera, and still less in Stamboul, without being impeded by half a dozen or more dogs curled up in a row on the narrow pavement, or in the roadway. A driver may occasionally hurry them from under the wheels with a touch of his whip, but the pedestrian invariably walks round or steps over their prostrate bodies, and disturbs not their slumbers.—Good Words.

DO GHOSTS EXIST?

"The history of the world is full of reported apparitions or ghosts. Do such things as ghosts exist? I am perfectly certain that they do. This does not mean that I feel that I am ready to explain their origin or nature. I simply recognize the fact. Whether they are purely subjective or whether they represent some objective reality—this is a question to be settled in each particular case. I have many instances in my notes; but they must be omitted for the present.

"There is one case, however, which is of a very extraordinary kind. It occurred about a couple of years ago here in the immediate vicinity of New York. There was a certain young man who had been studying abroad. He had been at Heidelberg University. He was of anything but an imaginative temperament. Tall and stalwart in build, he had a reputation as an athlete. His favorite studies were mathematical, physical and electrical. He had returned home from abroad, and, so far as anybody knew, was in perfect health. He was at the summer home of his mother. It was his habit, after dinner, to go out on the piazza and walk up and down while smoking his pipe. One evening he came quietly in, and, without talking with anybody, went up to bed. The next morning he went into his mother's room before she was up, and laid his hands on her cheek in order to awaken her quietly. Then he said: 'Mother, I have something very sad to tell you. You must brace yourself and be strong to bear it.' Of course, she was startled and asked him what he was talking about. He said: 'Mother, I mean just what I am saying. I am going to die, and very soon.'

"When his mother, startled and troubled, pressed him for an explanation, he said: 'Last night, when I was walking up and down the piazza, smoking, a spirit appeared and walked up and down by my side. I have received my call, and am going to die.' The mother, of course, was seriously troubled, and wondered if anything might be the matter with him. She therefore sent for the doctor and told him the story. The doctor made a careful examination, said there was nothing the matter, treated the whole thing as a bad dream or an hallucination, told them to pay no attention to it, and said that within a few days they would be laughing at themselves for letting such a thing worry them. The next morning the young man did not seem quite as well as usual, and the doctor was sent for a second time. Again he said there was nothing the matter, and tried to laugh them out of their fears. The third morning the young man appeared in still poorer condition, and the third time the physician was summoned. He now discovered a case of appendicitis. The young man was operated on and died in a couple of days. From the time of the vision until his death not more than five days had gone by. Some time after this experience the mother visited a psychic here in New York. She made no previous appointment, but went as a perfect stranger and waited her turn. The son claimed at once to be present, and told his mother a whole series of very remarkable things, which by no possibility could the psychic ever have known. Then in answer to the question, 'Who was it that you saw that night?' (the question being purposely so framed as not to seem to refer to anybody out of the body), he at once replied: 'It was my father.' The father had been dead for some years, and the mother had been married again."—Dr. Minot J. Savage in Ainslee's.

PRINCE HENRY'S INSURANCE.

Prince Henry of Prussia is probably the only person in the world who is insured against assassination solely. He has an insurance of $900,000 on his life, which is payable in case he is assassinated and not otherwise. He took out this singular policy when he sailed for the East to take command of the German fleet in Chinese waters some years ago. It was at Prince Henry's departure for this command it will be remembered, that his brother, the Kaiser, made his celebrated "mailed fist" speech. This assassination risk upon Prince Henry's life is held by German companies, and there does not seem to be any especial danger of their ever being called upon to pay it, for Prince Henry is a popular person, and there are several lives between him and the throne, so it would be a fool anarchist indeed who would seek his taking off. But, after the wanton murder of the poor Empress of Austria, any person of royal blood may well feel some misgivings as to what will be the manner of his ultimate exit from the affairs of this world. It would seem as if the Czar of Russia would be the monarch most in need of a special insurance against assassination, but that potentate, whilst heavily insured, has no special clause in his policy regarding assassination. He is a great believer in life insurance, is the Czar, and, considering the manner in which the Anarchists and Nihilists seek his life, it is no wonder. Within a week of the birth of his daughter, the little Grand Duchess Olga, the Czar had her life insured for $2,500,000, and his wife, the Czarina, is insured for $1,250,000. He himself carries an insurance of $4,000,000.—Exchange.

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WEATHER BULLETIN

ily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, May 27.—5 a. m.—Since yesterday an ocean low area has spread to this province, while along the Coast the barometer has risen above 30 inches. This change is causing cooler and cloudy weather, which is likely to be followed by showers on the Lower Mainland. The temperature rose to 80 on the Mainland yesterday and 90 in Oregon. In the Territories and Manitoba the weather is fair and warm.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Wednesday.

Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh south and southwest winds, generally fair and cooler.

Lower Mainland—Mostly cloudy and cooler, with occasional showers.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.89; temperature, 50; minimum, 48; wind, 12 miles S.; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, 58; minimum, 48; wind, 4 miles S.; rain, trace; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.66; temperature, 68; minimum, 56; wind, calm; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 52; minimum, 52; wind, 8 miles W.; rain, trace; weather, cloudy.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, 50; minimum, 48; wind, calm; weather, clear.

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—Weekly excursions to Port Angeles, Port Townsend and Seattle on steamers Rosalie and Majestic. One fare for round trip. Return tickets good on either steamer, on sale Saturdays and Sundays. E. E. Blackwood, Agent.

—Leonard Franks, of Alberni, is staying at the Victoria, having arrived yesterday from the West Coast. Mr. Franks is interested in the Happy John claim at Alberni, which is showing up well. Alberni is not very lively just now, but there are signs of awakening activity.

—On Sunday night the till in the barroom at the Victoria Gardens, on the Gorge road, was broken open and about $100 was stolen. The provincial police are investigating the matter. It appears that there is some suspicion entertained against a party of soldiers who are said to have entered the bar that night, but it is incorrect, as stated in the morning paper, that any soldiers have been arrested by the police and locked up.

—In response to a requisition from influential citizens Mayor Hayward has called a public meeting to be held in the city hall Thursday evening next, commencing at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of considering the best way of observing Coronation Day. The naval and military authorities on this station intend celebrating the occasion with worthy pomp, and it is altogether probable that the citizens will do their share toward honoring the day on which the King is to be crowned.

—To-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock F. Drury, B.A., Oxford, will address a meeting in Mrs. Cridge's garden on the work of the Scripture Union, and on Thursday afternoon he will speak in Christ Church schoolroom. On Wednesday evening Mr. Drury will lecture in the schoolroom upon life at Oxford, with the assistance of a magic lantern. The local branch of the Scripture Union numbers about 200 members, Miss Crease being the secretary.

—One of the chief features of the street decorations during the celebration was the electrically illuminated store of The Hinton Electric Company. The outside decorations, together with the constantly changing colored lights in the interior, never failed to draw the crowd. The other electrical work by this firm, including the parliament buildings, was equally admired. The sign "Victoria" was over 40 feet long, 5 feet high, and contained over 300 lights.

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—Last evening a meeting of the retail clerks, carpenters, barbers and bricklayers was held in Labor hall. The different meetings were addressed by E. W. A. O'Dell, of Hamilton, Ont., on behalf of the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union. He sought the aid of trades unionists in pushing the union label. On Sunday afternoon a meeting of the Typographical Union was held. Officers were nominated for the ensuing term and the elections are scheduled to be held at the June meeting. There was a fair attendance.

—The intermediate baseball game between the Young National and Fernwood teams will be completed this evening. The match will take place in Goodacre's field, Spring Ridge, and an interesting time is expected.

—The Victoria Machinery Depot Company are having a busy time at present, employing some 90 men. Machinery is being fitted into the two vessels built by the company. The Venture is due in Vancouver on the first of June.

—Colfax Rebecca Lodge, No. 1, I.O.O.F., will hold their regular meeting this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock. Besides the ordinary routine business considerable matters of importance will be dealt with, and all members are asked to attend.

—Capt. Alexis Martin left last night for Levis, where he will join the coronation contingent which sails on the Parisian for the old country on June 7th. He has been selected to command a squad of forty artillerymen, who will help to represent Canada's soldiers at the coronation.

—H. D. Helmcken, M. P. P., has received information from Nelson to the effect that the dates of the annual regatta of the N. P. A. A. O., which is to take place there this year, have been fixed for July 25th and 26th. Special arrangements are now under way for an exceptionally interesting event, Nelson having all the facilities necessary for this purpose. The J. B. A. A. will be represented by their very best four, who, flushed with their recent victory over Vancouver, will make a desperate and worthy effort to capture the championship.

—Preparation for Decoration Day commemoration services are being made by the committee of the Knights of Pythias having charge of the arrangements for the event. The services will be held on the 15th of next month, and excursions will be run from almost every point on Vancouver Island at which a K. of P. lodge exists, carrying Knights here in order to participate in the ceremony of doing honor to their dead brethren. Several bands will be employed to render appropriate music at the cemetery, and indication are that there will be no difficulty in obtaining an ample supply of flowers.

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—A soldier from Work Point was gathered in this afternoon by Sergt. Walker for drunkenness.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. F. H. Roblin took place this afternoon from the parlors of W. J. Hanna, Douglas street, where Rev. E. G. Miller conducted appropriate services, also officiating at Ross Bay cemetery. There was a large attendance and many beautiful oral offerings of sympathy.

—The Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church held their social meeting last night, at which there was a good attendance. The proceedings, which usually mark the meetings held under this department of league work, were, however, dispensed with on account of the presence of Rev. W. H. Pierce, the league missionary, in the city. Mr. Pierce, who is missionary to the Indians of Upper Skeena, and is supported by the Epworth Leagues of British Columbia, delivered a very interesting address in connection with his work up North, and set forth the advancement which the Indians have made under the influence of the gospel and the leadership of the missionary.

—H. M. S. Icarus has arrived at Devonport from the Pacific station.

—Secretary Moresby wants all accounts against the celebration committee in by the 31st of the month, so that business may be closed as soon as possible. Merchants having bills are requested to try and render them within the time specified.

—Frank Hall, the English lion tamer, who is now in the city exhibiting his majestic looking animal at the Lyceum theatre, promises to give a public entertainment at the A. O. U. W. hall before leaving for Australia. His exhibition is certainly a thrilling one, and shows that Hall is a man of exceptional nerve. The animal he shows is an untamed brute, which has a bad record, and his keeper's ability to enter the cage with him presents a most amazing scene.

—Charles Atkins, a waiter on the steamer Majestic, was arrestsed at the Hotel Northern, Seattle, yesterday morning by Constable Kaufman on a state warrant charging him with theft. W. H. Smith accuses the waiter of stealing $18 from his pocket while on the Majestic, and Atkins had $8 on his person when arrested. He was intoxicated, evidently having gone out and become drunk after leaving the steamship. He then went to the Hotel Northern and rented a room, in which he was sleeping off the effects of the liquor when taken into custody.

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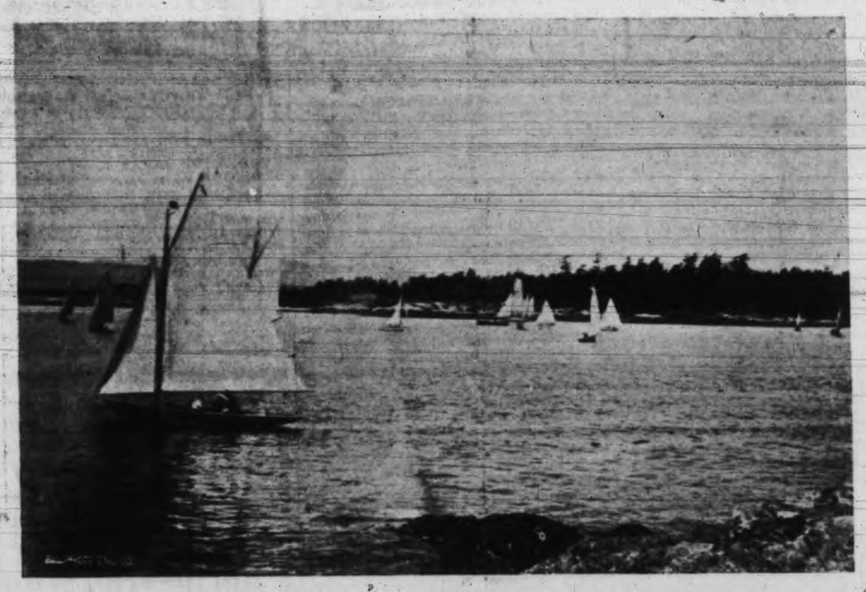

The Yacht Races—A Class Manoeuvring for Position.

A MILITARY VISITOR.

Sergt.-Major Robertson, of the 48th, Who Is One of Canada's Finest Soldiers.

Sergeant-Major Robertson, of the 48th Highlanders, a veteran of the rebellion of 1885, is paying a brief visit to Victoria. The sergeant-major recently took a company of 40 Highlanders and 20 pipers to New York, where they were given a splendid reception, and where the sergeant-major himself created a considerable sensation on account of his splendid physique and other soldierly qualities.

Sergt.-Major Robertson is one of the best known military men in Toronto, where he holds the post of drill instructor to the fire brigade. He arrived here yesterday and is very much pleased with Victoria, and regrets that he will be compelled to leave either to-morrow or on the following day. The sergeant-major could have gone to London with the coronation contingent, but as he had an opportunity of coming West—an opportunity which he had been long waiting for—he preferred to come here instead.

Sergt-Major Robertson has several friends here, among them being Mrs. Fox, of 227 Pandora street, and Mr. Tennant, of the Royal Engineers. He paid a visit to the latter at Work Point yesterday afternoon, and spent some time in looking over the barracks.

The sergeant-major is staying at the Dominion hotel, and is travelling round the city and its outskirts with a kodak, so that he will take some mementoes of his visit away with him.

—A cricket team has been organized in connection with the Fernwood Young Men's Association. A good practice was held at Goodacre's grounds last night, and members of the club are asked to turn out on Monday and Thursday evenings at 7 o'clock in order to get in shape for the season's games. At a meeting of those interested held the other evening W. P. Marchant was elected captain, with H. M. Wilson secretary. The latter official wishes it stated that he will be glad to hear from any clubs desiring dates.

Men's Black Bib Overalls, 50 cts. a pair at The Mammoth Bankrupt Clothing Sale. Must Move Sale commences to-morrow, 111 Government St.

Dogs in a wild state never bark.

EXHIBITION CRISIS.

If Council Does Not Assist, Agricultural Association Fair May Not Be Held.

The council's treatment of the request sent into the board last night asking that the city take over the financial responsibility of the exhibition has aroused the ire of the members of the Agricultural Association. They have called a meeting to be held in the city hall on Friday night, when the whole subject will be considered. The show to be held this year has been advertised throughout the Northwest as being on the Pacific fair circuit, and the association have been looking forward to the city council for the necessary support required to make the exhibition the success it deserves. Consequently when the city fathers could decide on no line of action at last night's meeting their attitude has been greatly deprecated. Secretary Boggs said this morning that before another show can be held here a two-thousand dollar expenditure will have to be made on the buildings for the accommodation of the stock. This expense it was hoped the council would be prepared to undertake, but failing, it may not be possible to hold the fair.

ASIATIC IMMIGRANTS.

The following is from the reports of the proceedings of the Imperial parliament of the London Times of May 9th:

In reply to Mr. J. O'Kelly (Roscommon, N.), Mr. Chamberlain (Birmingham, W.), said: The Anglo-Japanese agreement has been laid before parliament and the hon. member will see in referring to the text that it does not touch on the question of immigration. It is not proposed to discuss the position of Japanese subjects at the conference of colonial premiers.

Mr. J. O'Kelly: Are Japanese subjects not to be treated as those of a civilized power?

Mr. Chamberlain: There is not the slightest foundation for that suggestion.

—Under the instructions of the sanitary inspector workmen were engaged this morning in investigating the condition of the drain beneath Trounce avenue at the Government street end. A very unpleasant and unhealthy stench has arisen from there for some time, and the sanitary officer intends taking the necessary measures to abate the nuisance.

Some racehorses can clear 24 feet at a bound.

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

House Proceeds to Orders of the Day—Government Caucus This Afternoon.

Prayers were read this afternoon by Rev. Henry J. Wood.

The House proceeded to the orders of the day, answering questions

The government had a caucus this morning, when, it is stated, an attempt was made to patch up the differences with Messrs. Ellison and Clifford, the government agreeing to still further enlarge, revise, alter and re-cast the railway measure to meet the views of those gentlemen.

LEGAL NEWS.

The following applications came before Mr. Justice Irving in Chambers this morning:

Re Walter Norris, deceased—J. P. Walls, on behalf of H. G. Hall, applied for probate of will of deceased, which was granted.

A. C. White vs. Eberts & Taylor (County court)—H. B. Robertson, for the defendants, applied for an order for accounts and enquiries to be taken of all moneys received by plaintiff on behalf of defendants while acting as clerk in their office. No one appeared for the plaintiff. His Lordship expressed a doubt as to whether a defendant could obtain what was practically a decree, before trial, but took the matter under consideration.

Bank of B. N. A. vs. Robt. Ward & Co.—A. P. Luxton, for defendants, applied for settlement of the order made at the trial as to costs. He contended that defendants are entitled to costs as against Thos. Earle, who was made party to defendants counter-claim. W. J. Taylor, K. C., resisted this application. His Lordship ruled that defendants were entitled to costs against Earle of the original action, and on counter-claim. H. B. Robertson appeared for the bank.

The applications by defendants for leave to amend defence in the four actions of Clearlue, Blackett & Co., Upper Yukon Co., and Victoria Yukon Trading Co., against the White Pass & Yukon Railway Co., were struck off the list, no one appearing in support of same.

Assizes.

The civil and criminal assizes open in Vancouver to-day, Mr. Justice Martin presiding. The Chief Justice will open the last of the spring assizes at Clinton on Friday next.

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SUBSTANTIAL SUM

Added to the South African Memorial Fund—Result Drill Hall Concert.

The South African memorial fund has been increased by $176.35 as a result of the recent concert in the drill hall. This sum has been remitted, free of charge, by Manager Gillespie, of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, to Lieut.-Col. Irwin, C.M.G., honorary treasurer, Ottawa.

Mrs. Holmes, on behalf of the Soldiers' Wives' League, and Major Munro, on behalf of the Fifth Regiment, desire to thank all those who contributed toward the success of the concert, both in the tendering of their services and in providing refreshments. The statement of receipts and expenditure follows:

Admission at door	$108 00
Tea tables, Mrs. Holmes	16 50
Candy stall, Miss Monro	10 85
Ice cream, Miss Pooley	37 70
Butterfly painting, Mrs. A. W. Jones	9 00
	$ 73 85
	$181 85

Expenses.

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Help at tea table	1 00
Expressage	1 50
	$ 5 50
Balance	$176 35

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COUNCIL CONSIDER RAILWAY BY-LAW

BUT DECIDE NOT TO TOUCH THE MATTER

Streets Which Will Be Sprinkled During the Dry Weather—Complaints of Shortage of Water.

There is much business before the city council this week, and when the board adjourned last night it was with the understanding that another meeting be held on Wednesday evening next.

During the regular course of business H. Dallas Helmcken, M.P.P., enclosed several copies of the amendments to the bill 57, now before the House, and asked for the council's opinion on the same. The writer suggested an interview with the city members, and the suggestion was approved. A conference will be arranged.

Hon. Archer Martin again complained of the insufficiency of water on the higher levels, which since the fine weather set in has been altogther inadequate.

Ald. Barnard knew that the complaint was well grounded, and he moved that the water commissioner be instructed to operate on Yates street pump for the next few days. He himself experienced the same lack of water, for only during the day, before 9 a.m. and after 4 o'clock, he could not get a trickle of water out of the taps in his house.

Ald. Worthington asked if the Yates street pump was not already at full pressure. If not, the pump ought to be called into requisition.

Ald. Barnard—I might say that during the hot season last year we had to keep water in tubs in our house in order to wash the dishes.

Ald. Vincent seconded the motion, but Ald. Yates moved in amendment that the matter be referred to the water commissioner as to the estimated cost of running the pump.

Ald. Cameron seconded the amendment, and Ald. McCandless also approved of this course, but Ald. Barnard strenuously opposed any postponement of the matter.

Ald. Williams said the council was compelled to furnish the residents of the higher levels with water, and he would therefore support the motion.

Ald. Kinsman thought it was a pity that the new pump was not equal to the demands on it.

The subject was finally referred to the water commissioner for report at the meeting on Wednesday.

Hon. Archer Martin wrote again requesting the changing of the names of St. Charles and St. George streets. Laid on the table.

W. H. Ellison wrote asking if the council would vote sufficient money for the replacing of a sidewalk on Catherine street, Victoria West. Referred to the streets, sewers and bridges committee.

J. G. Elliot, secretary of the board of fire underwriters, advised the council of an exceptional amount of gasoline stored on the premises of the Hudson Bay Co. Referred to the chairman of the fire committee.

C. H. Topp, city engineer, reported regarding the communication from the sanitary officer re drainage nuisance on Beacon Hill, that the evil can be abated by an improvement costing $112.50. He made an inspection of the drains on Dallas road and found them in a very bad condition. A good deal of money had been spent on these drains every year without effecting any permanent benefit. He therefore recommended the laying of a drain along the road westerly to Sannan avenue. This could be done for a cost of $1,495. A list of the streets which he proposed should be sprinkled during the summer he submitted as follows: Cormorant, from Douglas to Store street; Pandora, from Blanchard to Government; Johnson, from Douglas to Wharf; and from Blanchard to Douglas; Yates, from Douglas to Wharf, and from Douglas to Vancouver; View, from Douglas to Broad; Bastion, from Government to Wharf; Fort, from Quadra to Douglas, and Douglas to Wharf; Broughton, from Douglas to Wharf; Humboldt, from Douglas to Government; Courtney, from Douglas to Wharf; Government, from Humboldt to Cormorant, and from Queen's avenue to Cormorant; Langley, from Yates to Courtney; Broad, from Yates to Broughton, and from Humboldt to Fisguard; Blanchard, from Fort to Pandora; Douglas, from Fisguard to Fountain; outer wharf from Humboldt to, and Douglas from Humboldt to Fisguard. The entire distance is 51.77 miles.

The report was referred to the streets, sewers and bridges committee.

S. Oppenheimer and other tenants on Bastion street petitioned for an extension of the cement sidewalk to Courtney. Referred to the streets, sewers and bridges committee.

Arthur Longfield and 28 other residents of Cook street petitioned that that thoroughfare be sprinkled between Caledonia avenue and Pandora street. Referred to the city engineer.

The finance committee recommended the payment of accounts amounting to $8,542.50. Carried. Another report from the same committee recommended the payment of $10,000 out of the James Bay Reclamation by-law, and another item of $475 out of the High School funds. Both recommendations were approved.

H. H. Main and seven others drew the attention to a Chinaman, named Luch, an old resident, of this city, who was too poor to pay the regular license fee. They asked that it be remitted. Received and referred to the Mayor, with power to act.

The city solicitor reported in respect of the Victoria Terminal Railway by-law as follows:

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to report upon the communication of the 9th instant, addressed to His Worship the Mayor by the Hon. the Attorney-General, that I have considered the question and beg to advise as follows: There appears from the printed published correspondence respecting acts of 1901, forwarded by the Attorney-General, a strong probability that the Victoria Terminal Railway By-Law Act of 1900 will be disallowed by the Dominion government upon the ground of the inclusion in the agreement and by-law set out in such act of the clause prohibiting the employment of Japanese. Objection is also taken by the Minister of Justice to the inclusion in the Victoria Terminal Railway and Ferry Act of 1901 of the section prohibiting the employment of aliens, which was inserted in response to the provincial government requirement affecting all railway bills. I understand that the Attorney-General now asks your honorable body to say if you desire the government to alter by legislation in this session the clause as affecting Japanese, and if so, the alteration must be done by the 12th of June, being twelve months from date of the report. The presumption is that if the council express no such desire the by-law act may be disallowed by the Dominion authorities. I beg to enclose herewith copy of a letter received from Messrs. Bodwell & Duff, dealing with the position. Should the council decide to make a request to the provincial government in response to the Attorney-General's letter for an alteration of the act as affecting Japanese, probably the council may think it necessary afterwards to obtain the sanction of the electors to an alteration of the clause in the agreement by eliminating the word "Japanese" from the clause in question; and this could be done by by-law approving a variation of the agreement. It has been stated that the Dominion authorities will be satisfied with an amending act enacting that nothing contained in any legislation of the province shall prejudice or take away the rights of any subject of Japan.

J. M. BRADBURN.

In connection with the above Bodwell & Duff wrote as follows:

Victoria, B. C., May 19th, 1902.

Messrs. Mason & Bradburn, City Solicitors, Victoria:

Dear Sirs:—Re Victoria Terminal Railway Act. Referring to the interview which your Mr. Mann had with the writer to-day as to the suggested disallowance of the act, we understand that the object of the government in communicating with the city was to ascertain the wishes of the council in this matter, and whether they would desire the government to pass such legislation as would be necessary in order to make the statute constitutional.

In view of the fact that the company have already spent a very large sum of money in good faith in the carrying out of this enterprise and are doing all in their power to complete it within the time mentioned and strictly in accordance with the agreement with the city, it seems to us that it would only be fair on the part of the corporation to request the government to make such changes in the act as will be necessary. If this is not done it is quite clear that the act will be disallowed, the city will lose the benefits which they expect to gain by the construction and operation of the railway, and the parties who are interested in the charter will lose a very large sum of money which they have actually paid out in connection with the enterprise, all on account of the insertion of a clause which was forced upon the company first by the council, and secondly by the model bill passed in the legislature. The corporation ought to know that, whether the clause were in the act or out of it, it would not have been at all likely that the company would have employed any alien labor in the construction of their works; they never had any intention of doing so.

BODWELL & DUFF.

The Mayor advised that the council do nothing in the matter. Ald. Worthington moved accordingly, and the motion was seconded by Ald. Kinsman.

Ald. Yates wanted to know what bearing this course would have on the matter. He did not want to see anything done that would mean the disallowing of the bill, putting the company out of competition with other roads. The company had already placed Victoria on an equal footing with Vancouver and reduced the rate to Nanaimo from $4.80 to $1.00. He would move that the matter be laid over for a few days.

Ald. Cameron, too, was not prepared to take a snap shot judgment on so important a matter. He advised that the city solicitor's opinion be adopted. He did not believe in any step of repudiation.

Ald. Barnard believed that the government should not have shifted the responsibility onto the council. He did not vote for the by-law in the first place, but did not believe in repudiation. The validity of the agreement stood good, notwithstanding the changing of the act.

The Mayor—Why not let the government work out their own salvation?

Ald. McCandless also thought the council should take a little time on the matter, but Aldermen Vincent, Worthington and Kinsman took the view of the Mayor.

Ald. Williams said that the company has already not carried out several portions of their contract, but he did not believe in tampering with the bill.

A lengthy discussion followed. Finally the following resolution was submitted by Ald. Cameron:

That the council considers that this is a question for the government to deal with, but is of the opinion that they cannot deviate from the agreement between the Victoria Terminal Railway Company and the city without the consent of the electors. The council, however, sees no objection to the repeal of section 25 of the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Act, 1901.

The motion was voted down, those supporting it being Ald. Barnard, Yates and Bernard.

The motion to lay it on the table was then submitted and was carried.

The Mayor then drew attention to the letter from Secretary Boggs, of the Agricultural Association, asking the city to take over the financial responsibility of the exhibition this year.

Ald. Barnard moved that the suggestion cannot be adopted, but that the council would be willing to vote $2,000 towards the show.

Ald. Cameron said although heartily in sympathy with the motion he could not support it. Last year's experience demonstrated that the appropriation grew to about $4,000. Already it would be necessary to raise about $20,000 extra for running expenses, and this incurred extra taxation.

Ald. Yates moved in amendment that the appropriation be fixed at $1,000.

Ald. McCandless would support the amendment conditionally on the citizens subscribing $3,000.

The amendment and motion were both lost, and the council adjourned.

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COMMUNICATIONS.

GRANTS TO RAILWAYS.

To the Editor.—Now that your correspondent, "Publicola," has saved the province 16,000,000 acres of land, what is he going to do with it? The only value of the isolated patches of arable land in the interior of this province is for the purpose of raising hay and vegetables for use in mines near by, and as mines cannot be developed without transportation, it follows that without railways the land is valueless.

Take the Bute Inlet railway project, which "Publicola" speaks of rather sneeringly as only a branch line. Well, say it is only a branch. In that case the promoters would not expect to develop a through trade over it to the Orient, but would have to depend for traffic to the mines developed along its route. These mines have yet to be discovered and proved, so that it is a matter of speculation for the promoters to build that branch at an immense outlay of capital, as the railway completed and fully equipped will cost not less than $50,000 per mile. So that a subsidy of $5,000 and 20,000 acres of land per mile does not appear to be unreasonable, more especially when you consider the immense benefit all classes of the community would derive from the expenditure of $10,000,000 or $12,000,000 in its midst for wages and supplies.

I am inclined to think if Mann & Mackenzie start on their line to Fort Simpson it will be pretty hard to get them to entertain any branch project again, and it is too bad, that to gain a petty political advantage such an injury should be done to Victoria and British Columbia at large as to place any obstacles in the way of constructing the Canadian Northern railway.

It would be to the interest of any railway company holding lands to settle them as quickly as possible, and as each settler is calculated to be worth at least $1,500 to the country, a good return would be made in that way for the lands granted. "Publicola's" estimate of the value of land at $1.50 per acre for 20,000 acres per mile is absurd. There is no mile of railway projected in British Columbia that will have 20,000 acres of agricultural land contiguous to it. A tenth part of that would be a large estimate, and a twentieth much nearer the truth, and as to its quality, the least said the better, but will illustrate what I mean by the following incident:

Last summer I went to a rancher who owns, or at any rate claims, the land along six miles of one of the larger rivers of the province, and I offered to buy a bushel of potatoes from him. "Why," he said, "that would take my whole crop."

I am going to give you a little history of land grants and what they have accomplished.

The first of any importance was to the Illinois Central railway, and any one looking at Chicago and its neighboring cities and farming communities can hardly say it has had a disastrous effect. The next grant was to the Union & Central Pacific railway, from Omaha to Sacramento, from 1867 to 1869, spent on that railway, filling in time, dodging the Mormons and building railway. The only settlement on the whole line was in Utah, and the only town was Salt Lake city, with about 12,000 inhabitants. You might call the whole country a wilderness. Now look at it. It would take columns of your paper to give even a faint description of its wealth and progress. The next grant in order of importance was the Northern Pacific, in 1870. I was sent to explore a route for this road through Montana and Idaho, and later through Minnesota and Dakota. Helena, Montana and Walla Walla, Oregon, then small towns, were the only important places between Lake Suprior and Puget Sound. Look at the country along that line to-day from Duluth to Puget Sound—its cities, towns, villages, farms and mines, and last, but not least, its wealth in millions on millions of dollars in cash. The next is the Canadian Pacific railway. In 1871 and 1872 I explored the country between Fort Garry and the summits of the Howse and Yellowhead passes, and the whole of that country was unoccupied, except by a few settlers along the Red and Assiniboine rivers, and a few Hudson's Bay posts west of that. East of Fort Garry, Fort William, on Lake Superior, was the only settlement until Pembroke on the Ottawa was reached. Again, look at that country to-day. Nickle mines at Sudbury, pulp works at several places.

Elevators at Fort William and Port Arthur, with a capacity of 12 or 15 millions of bushels of wheat. Look at the mines between Lake Superior and Rat Portage, the farms and ranches of the Northwest, at the cities of Winnipeg, Brandon, Regina, Calgary, Edmonton, Kamloops and Vancouver. Look at the line stretching away eastward from Montreal to Halifax, and again west from Montreal to Chicago. Can anyone say the land and money subsidy to that railway was too great?

In 1880 I went to Newfoundland to make a survey for a railway under instructions from the government. I found the larger part of the inhabitants there huddled together in little villages along the coast living in most abject poverty, eking out a miserable existence with their earnings from a six weeks' seal fishery in the spring and a three months' cod fishery on the Labrador coast during the summer. Those people were then the most ignorant and unprogressive people on the continent. A few years after the government gave a land grant to Mr. R. G. Reid, who built a railway the whole length of the island, opened up the agricultural lands, built sawmills, opened mines and started other industries, affording the people a means of making a livelihood without the suffering and danger incidental to their former mode of living.

The last instance of land grant I will quote is the one given by Ontario to Mr. F. H. Clergue to build a railway through New Ontario and to open it up to Hudson's Bay. It has only been partially built up to the present time, but has led up to the opening of the Helen iron mine at Michipicoten, on Lake Superior, a nickle mine near Sudbury, the construction and operation of immense steel and pulp works at Sault Ste. Marie, and to the establishment of a large steel shipbuilding plant at Collingwood, Lake Huron, where they are now building 7,000 and 8,000 ton barges to carry iron ore to Mr. Clergue's works. Mr. Clergue intends placing 10,000 settlers on his lands inside of three years, and says he will have a city of 200,000 souls at Sault Ste. Marie within ten years. That is what land grants have done.

None of the lands above spoken of were worth a bean until the railways were built and untold millions expended on them to open them up. Then the people who advanced the money and waited for years might get something for them, but their main value was as a collateral to raise money on in the first instance.

FRANK MOBERLY.

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THE RING.

ATTELL V. CORBETT.

(Associated Press.)

Denver, Col., May 27.—Abe Attell and Young Corbett have signed articles to fight in this city on June 6th. The weight is to be 126 pounds at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and the purse will be divided, 75 per cent. going to the winner and 25 per cent. to the loser.

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Lake Manitoba—Beaver Line	June 12
	New York.
Oceanic—White Star Line	May 28
Majestic—White Star Line	June 4
Germanic—White Star Line	June 11
Umbria—Cunard Line	May 31
Lucania—Cunard Line	June 7
Etruria—Cunard Line	June 14
Kron Prinz Wilhelm—N. G. Lloyd	June 3
Grosser Kurfurst—N. G. Lloyd	June 3
Columbia—Hamburg American	June 5
Deutschland—Hamburg American	June 12
St. Paul—American Line	June 4
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	P.M.	
Nanaimo	12:45	8:15
Ar. Wellington	1:00	Lv. 8:00

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Victoria	4:25	8:10
Shawnigan Lake	5:42	7:01
Duncans	6:20	6:05
Nanaimo	8:02	4:25
Ar. Wellington	8:17	Lv. 4:10

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Stage leaves Wellington Tuesdays and Fridays on arrival of train from Victoria. Returning from Alberni Mondays and Thursdays. Fare from Victoria, single $5.20, return $8.65.

THROUGH TICKETS VICTORIA TO COWICHAN LAKE.

Via Duncans. Stage leaves Duncans Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Fare from Victoria, $5 return.

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GEO. L. COURTNEY, Traffic Manager.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

NELSON.

The death occurred on Friday of Mrs. H. G. Goodeve, of Silica street, after two weeks' illness. The late Mrs. Goodeve had resided in Nelson for a number of years.

KASLO.

Kaslo had a most successful Victoria day celebration. The weather and everything acted favorably. Kaslo and Slocan were victorious in baseball, yacht racing and a tug-of-war against the visitors. A patriotic concert by the Victorian Order of Nurses and huge free ball by the city concluded the day.

VANCOUVER.

Word has been received that telegraph rates to Dawson will be reduced by one-third from June 1st to $3.25 for 10 words.

The council of the board of trade held a meeting at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and decided to send a delegation to Victoria at once to urge on the government the desirability of having one of the Supreme Court judges reside in Vancouver.

A Chinese graduate of the University of Canton will arrive here in a few days from Tacoma to establish a school for the education of Chinese youths in Chinese, according to the modern system. The Chinese Reform Association has decided to build a handsome brick and stone block. The site will probably be Carroll street. The third story of the building will be rented as a Chinese merchants' club.

The Bank of B.N.A. passed over three bags of gold to the Dominion assay office in exchange for coin of the realm yesterday. The three bags contained 165 ounces. They came from Ashcroft, and were the finest collection of nuggets seen in the city this season.

ROSSLAND.

It is reported here that a deal has been closed by the War Eagle and Centre Star mines for the purchase of cyanide works at Silica, a mile and a half south of Rossland, from the British Columbia Bullion Extracting Company. The plant was erected several years ago by an English corporation, but never operated on a large scale. The cyanide process is said to give perfect results on Rossland gold-copper ores, and the report is generally credited, following so closely on the announcement that the resumption of shipments from the mines is only a matter of a few weeks.

The Supreme Court action of Yale-Columbia Lumber Co. v. Scottish Union and other fire insurance companies was settled out of court here yesterday. The insurance companies returned premiums of $22 on policies of $22,000 on the lumber company's mill, destroyed by fire last summer.

A. S. Goodeve has been chosen to represent the Associated Boards of Trade for southern British Columbia at the board of trade convention in Toronto early in June, and leaves on Wednesday for the East.

DO NOT NEGLECT

THE LITTLE ILLS OF TO-DAY

THE USE OF

PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND

WILL ERADICATE FROM THE BLOOD AND SYSTEM THE SEEDS OF DISEASE.

As grains of sand make our lofty mountains, drops of water the mighty ocean, and as our massive buildings are made of one brick piled upon another, so do the ills of life contribute to the building up of deadly diseases in the body.

Experienced medical men claim that fully three-fourths of our men and women enter the summer season with little ills and symptoms of disease, which must develop into serious and fatal troubles if not banished at once.

We hear our friends complaining daily of rheumatic tendencies, sharp and darting neuralgic pains, dyspepsia, pains in the side and back, nervousness and sleeplessness, and we see with our own eyes the effects of impure blood in facial blotches, eruptions and sores. The little ills and pains of to-day build up the alarming and fatal diseases that follow days and weeks of neglect.

Wise and intelligent people who have looked into the claims of Paine's Celery Compound and followed its remarkable cures of relatives, friends and neighbors, use it themselves with faith and confidence, to banish their symptoms of coming troubles, to cleanse the blood, to re-establish nerve force, energy and bodily strength so that they will be in condition to withstand the enervating effects of the coming hot weather.

In every community where Paine's Celery Compound has been used at this season to banish disease, it is regarded as a godsend. Workers in offices, shops, factories, and weary and rundown wives and mothers in their homes have thanked Heaven for Dr. Phelps' marvellous prescription, because it made them well. Try a bottle or two, ye who are ailing and sick; it will give you what you most stand in need of—health and new life.

HISTORY OF A HAILSTONE.

The life-history of a hailstone is the subject of an interesting paper by Mr. A. H. Bell in a recent issue of the magazine of philosophy which was founded by the late R. A. Proctor. The beginning of each of these aerial snow-balls, as they may be called, is a tiny atom of dust or fluff which has been carried up on one of those strong ascensional currents or air-lifts, whereof the upper parts are visible as cumulus clouds, into the middle height. The embryo hailstone gets its share of the condensed moisture of which the columns of the cumulus—as a rule we see them foreshortened—are formed; and, since the process of condensation sets free a large amount of latent heat and raises the temperature of the air, a second ascending current is generated which conveys it to the bitter-cold cirrus levels, where it becomes a tiny pellet of snow. For a time it jigs up and down on the top of these air-currents, much as a glass ball dances on the top of a water-jet in a shooting gallery; sooner or later, however, it has taken to itself so many of the surrounding snow-crystals that it is too heavy to remain there, and slowly it begins to fall.

As it descends it rolls through strata of air differing very much as regards temperature and humidity; since, however, the surface is always below freezing point, it contrives to obtain a fresh layer of condensed and frozen moisture from each successive stratum. Dissection shows that these layers are alternately clear and opaque. When it passes through air that is below the freezing point the moisture that settles on it freezes as clear ice; on the other hand, if the stratum is above the freezing point the new layer is opaque. When it is caught in an atmospheric whirl (as in a thunderstorm) it is rolled through the same strata again and again, and grows so large that it is slung earthward from the edge of the wrack, and reaches the earth without melting.

SEA FISHING IN AUSTRALIA.

Fish Are Queer, but Fishermen's Luck is Familiar to Anglers.

Sea fishing is the Alpha and Omega of most fishing in Australia. We leave Sydney harbor about midnight in a small tug, so as to be on the further fishing grounds at daybreak. Now we are out between the heads, and at last a chilly dawn creeps over the sea. We are at rest, too, broadside to the rollers, and it is good to go up the narrow companion and on deck and find the lines we left neatly coiled in corners over night. The two deck hands are busy cutting up the bait, a score or so of mullet, yellowtails and squid. We are ready, and our eight lends go almost together over the side, all on the same quarter, so that the lines may stream clear of the tug and of each other. Down they go, and still down, a good forty fathoms, and the moment the lead touches bottom we hold on. A moment or two passes and someone is into a good fish, which is hauled and played on the thin line with great care and patience and proves to be a silvery morwong of six or seven pounds' weight, a handsome enough fish to the stranger, yet dubbed, with a sneer "wrong color" by its captor and his Australian friends.

The discontented one seems in luck's way, for no sooner has he again baited his hooks, each line, I ought to have said, carries two and a heavy lead, than he is once more fighting with an even larger fish, but the line sheers away ominously near the surface, and there is a general cry of "Shark!" as it is indeed seen that one of these white-bellied, shovel-snouted brutes has both his hooks. But the tackel is strong; there is nothing in reason to part so long as the shark cannot get the line between its teeth; and it is at last lifted bodily on the deck, five feet and more of it, and soon clearing breathing space with the great sweeping strokes of its tail.

The first fish that I am destined to catch in these strange waters is as curious in name as in appearance. "Nannygai" it is called, which irresistibly, though doubtless good aboriginal, reminds one of nannygoat, and it is of brilliant scarlet, with huge protruding black eyes. Very good eating is this same nannygai, but more valuable on account of its invariably indicating the presence of a big schnapper. No sooner, indeed, have I hauled my nannygai than one or two of the party instantly haul in their lines to see that the baits are right and that a good opportunity may not be lost. For we are not anchored in one spot. The Pacific is too deep, the ground too rough, the swells from the south too sudden and violent to admit of such a plan. On the contrary, we drive with the tide over the reefs, a kind of schnapper battue, and are thus enabled to go to the fish when they will not come to us. Good schnapper are now caught on all sides, and I must say that all the hopes that I had based on a somewhat long and intimate acquaintance with his feebler cousin, the red bream of the English Channel.

That is one kind of Australian sea fishing. There are two others on which I must briefly touch if this account is to claim any measure of completeness. These are the harbor fishing and the rock fishing, the former for black bream, flathead and such like, the latter for grouper. That is to say, you fish for grouper and catch leather jackets, just as at home you fish for grey mullet and get wrasse or for pollack and capture only chads. The harbor fishing is chiefly delightful on account of the beautiful, peaceful surroundings of the sport. The rock fishing is quite another thing, boisterous, bold, attractive with the attractiveness of somnambulism on the ball of St. Paul's. The ledges are narrow and slippery, and the fall is sometimes fifty or sixty feet, and at the bottom is a cauldron of surf, with many sharks in attendance. Nirvana lies that way, and unless you are colonial born and add to the patience of a Walton the sober-footedness of a chamois, you are apt to find your Nirvana somewhat soon. When hooked the grouper give excellent sport, particularly as you are balancing for dear life, like a Gibraltar ape in an east wind, but they are less often hooked than leather jackets, miserable pirates with a skin that will defy anything short of a Kropp razor. The one bait for this rock fishing is known as "cungevoi," a curious echinoderm, if I remember rightly, with an interior like a poached egg.—London Traveler.

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WHAT WE SOW, THAT SHALL WE ALSO REAP.

If We Err Punishment Is Sure to Follow Carelessness or Neglect of Our Bodies Always Succeeded by Suffering.

It is an unalterable law of Nature that sin is always punished.

One of the first duties of man is to care for his body.

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Sometimes a man or woman inherits the seeds of Disease, which in spite of all care will blossom into a harvest of sickness and suffering some time during his life.

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We eat too fast; we eat too much; we overload and overtax the Stomach, until it is no wonder that this faithful servant sometimes cries out in the voice of Heartburn, Sour Stomach, Bloating or other symptom—"Oh! Give me a little chance to rest."

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Pain in the Chest after meals; feeling of weight and discomfort, Bloating, Coated Tongue, Loss of Appetite, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Heartburn, Headache, Palpitation of the Heart, Skin Eruptions, Constipation, Foul Breath, Sallow Complexion, Melancholy and Irritability.

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Victoria Water Works

Attention is called to Sections 22 and 23 of "The Waterworks Regulation By-Law, 1900," No. 345, which reads as follows: "No person shall sprinkle or use in any manner whatsoever the water supplied by the city upon lawns, gardens, yards or grounds of any description, except between the hours of 5 and 9 in the morning, and the hours of 5 and 10 in the evening, unless the water so used shall be supplied by meter. If water (except water supplied by meter) is used for watering lawns or gardens at other than the permitted hours there shall be charged against the person so using such water the sum of fifty cents for each infraction, but this provision shall in no way prejudice any proceedings for enforcing the penalties attached to any infraction of this By-Law."

JAS. L. RAYMUR, Water Commissioner.

City Hall, 6th May, 1902.

Court of Revision

Notice is hereby given that the first sitting of the annual Court of Revision of the Municipality of the City of Victoria will be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Douglas street, Victoria, on Tuesday, the 17th day of June, 1902, at 10 a. m., for the purpose of hearing complaints against the assessment as made by the Assessor, and for revising and correcting the Assessment Roll.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

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Notice.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at its next session for a transfer to J. J. Fitzgerald of the license now held by me for the sale of wines and spirituous liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Telegraph Hotel, situate at No. 49 Store street, Victoria, B. C.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 1902.

ANN PEARCE.

"Municipal Clauses Act."

Notice is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, B. C., I shall apply for a transfer of the license now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors in the Victoria theatre building, situate on the southwest corner of View and Douglas streets, in the City of Victoria, aforesaid, being the premises known as the Imperial hotel, from myself to F. W. Van Sicklin.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1902.

C. R. BROWN.

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A suitable person to take charge of an old man and provide him with board and lodging for $15.00 per month.

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By order, WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

Victoria, B. C., May 1st, 1902.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I, Robert B. McClelland, of the City of Victoria, B. C., will apply at the next sitting of the Board of License Commissioners, to be held on the 11th day of June, A. D., 1902, for a transfer of the license to sell wines, spirits and liquors by retail on the premises known as the "Queen's Hotel," situate on the N. W. corner of Johnson and Store streets, Victoria, B. C., to Jacob M. Hughes, of the same place.

ROBERT B. M'CLELLAND, By His Attorney in Fact, Simon Leiser

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that we, Bassett & Simpson, of the City of Victoria, B. C., will apply at the next sitting of the Board of License Commissioners, to be held on the 11th day of June, A. D., 1902, for a transfer of the license to sell wines, spirits and liquors by retail on the premises known as the Leland House, situate on the S. E. corner of Douglas street and Queen's avenue, Victoria, B. C., to Jas. Moran, of the same place.

BASSETT & SIMPSON.

Dated the 8th day of May, 1902.

NOTICE.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel and on the west by the boundary of the E & N. Railway Land Grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY, Land Commissioner.

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QUARTZ.

Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding Free Miner's Certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A Free Miner's Certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of $10.00 per annum for an individual, and from $50.00 to $100.00 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A Free Miner having discovered mineral in place may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein.

The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a Mining Recorder's Office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is $5.00.

At least $100.00 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the Mining Recorder in lieu thereof. When $500.00 has been expended or paid the locator may, upon having a survey made and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 160 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of royalty on the sales not exceeding five per cent.

PLACER MINING, MANITOBA AND THE N. W. T., EXCEPTING THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee $5.00, renewable yearly. On the orth Saskatchewan River claims are either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

DREDGING IN THE RIVERS OF MANITOBA AND THE N. W. T., EXCEPTING THE YUKON TERRITORY.

A Free Miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive, entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental $10.00 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of two and a half per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.00.

DREDGING IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, $100.00 per mile for first year, and $10.00 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty ten per cent. on the output in excess of $15,000.00.

PLACER MINING IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Creek, Gulch, River and Hill Claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other Placer Claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten days if the claim is within ten miles of Mining Recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim, and each person in his or its employment, except house servants, must hold a Free Miner's Certificate.

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee $15.00. Royalty at the rate of five per cent. charged on the gross output of the claim, with the exception of an annual exemption of $5,000.00.

No Free Miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and Free Miners, not exceeding ten in number, may work their claims in partnership, by filing notice and paying fee of $2.00. A claim may be abandoned and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice, and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least $200.00, or in lieu of work payment may be made to the Mining Recorder each year for the first three years of $200.00 and after that $400.00 for each year.

A certificate that work has been done or fee paid must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a Free Miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made, and publishing notices in the Yukon Official Gazette.

HYDRAULIC MINING, YUKON TERRITORY.

Locations suitable for hydraulic mining, having a frontage of from one to five miles, and a depth of one mile or more, may be leased for twenty years, provided the ground has been prospected by the applicant or his agent; is found to be unsuitable for placer mining; and does not include within its boundaries any mining claims already granted. A rental of $150.00 for each mile of frontage, and a royalty of five per cent. on the gross output, less an annual exemption of $25,000.00, are charged. Operations must be commenced within one year from the date of the lease, and not less than $5,000.00 must be expended annually. The lease excludes all base metals, quartz and coal, and provides for the withdrawal of unoperated land for agricultural or building purposes.

PETROLEUM.

All unappropriated Dominion lands shall, after the 1st of July, 1901, be open to prospecting for petroleum. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities he may acquire 640 acres of available land, including and surrounding his discovery at the rate of $1.00 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by Order in Council.

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BROUGHT NO PASSENGERS.

The Amur Returned From Skagway This Morning With Empty Cabins.

Steamer Amur arrived from Skagway shortly before twelve to-day with no passengers or freight. She had but one arrival for Vancouver. Up to the time of leaving Skagway on Saturday last La Barge was not sufficiently open for the steamers to run in the lake, although the ice was running out fast, and from rains and warm weather was disappearing rapidly.

Advices received from Atlin state that sluicing on the winter dumps is resulting away beyond expectations. The results have caused much excitement, and indications are that the cleanup will be over $100,000 from Pine creek alone. On Gold Run, Howard & Brunner are taking out as high as $40 to the man daily, and steam pumps and electric hoists are being installed on several claims.

There has been a regular stampede on Gold Run. Hydraulic operations on Birch creek have resulted in excellent pay being taken out, and piping has been started on good ground on McKee creek. The Columbia Hydraulic Company is getting into shape for working.

There is a price war in lumber among various companies. Rough lumber is selling at $20 per thousand, and miners are building scores of sluices at reduced rates. All staple goods are selling much cheaper than heretofore, and the result is that the cost of living has been materially reduced.

Word comes by way of Juneau that the Skagway Juneau cable is to be put in operating condition by the United States government at once.

Beginning this week the trains of the White Pass & Yukon Co. depart and arrive a half hour later than heretofore. Under the new time card the trains will leave Skagway northbound and White Horse southbound every morning except Sunday at 9.30 o'clock instead of at 9 as at the present time.

Capt. James Gray, of the Koyukuk, says the construction of the steamer is progressing satisfactorily. The craft was brought up in knock-down shape from the south, and is being built to be operated upon the Koyukuk river. She belongs to the Northern Commercial Company.

"We will probably get away about June 10th," said Capt. Gray, in an interview at Skagway. "The Koyukuk will confine herself to the Upper Koyukuk river and will run as far up stream as Bettles. She will connect with other steamers on the lower river. Her lower terminus will depend upon the quantity of water the river has, that will determine how far up the larger steamers can go. It will probably be Bergman, however. The number of trips the Koyukuk shall make depends partly upon the number the larger boats make and the condition of the water. At times it gets so low that a steamer is compelled to lay in a pool until the water rises. The Seattle No. 3 and the Rock Island will probably be operated on the lower Koyukuk this year."

DRAWING OFF CARRIERS.

Big Inroads In Coal Business Caused by the Use of Oil.

The following is the report of the San Francisco coal market for the week ending May 24th, issued by J. W. Harrison, the coal and metal broker:

Since the steamer Sonoma left there have been the following arrivals of Australian coal, viz.: Corunna, 3,103 tons; Marlo, 2,042 tons; Paramita, 2,070 tons; Crompton, 4,353 tons; total, 12,568 tons. There are thirty-four vessels already named for loading Australian coal for future delivery here. These vessels have a carrying capacity of over 90,000 tons. This shows an increase of 6,000 tons since the first of the month. It is very singular that with the extremely low prices now ruling for colonial freights four new names should be added to the loading list. The last rates named are lower than for several years past and the present depressed condition of the coal market here, and for future deliveries, give little hope for any improvement. Our Coast collieries are gradually drawing off their carriers, which is leading to a further decrease in coal freights from the north. The main cause of these discouraging conditions now existing in the fuel line is solely attributable to the inroads being made by the oil, the prices for which remain unchanged. The quantity of oil now being extracted is very largely in excess of the demand. Several large refineries in course of construction will eventually relieve the market from a large proportion of the overplus now being taken out. The Marlo, from Newcastle, is discharging a cargo of Dudley coal. Its appearance indicates that it will prove to be a first-class household coal.

—Fashion's choice this season in summer window draping is the bobbinet ruffled curtain and the light and airy Madras. Weilers are showing these in latest styles.

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills cure Anæmia, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Weakness, Palpitation, Throbbing, Faint Spells, Dizziness, or any condition arising from Impoverished Blood, Disordered Nerves or Weak Heart.

The Mammoth Bankrupt Clothing Store is closed for final stock taking, and will be open to-morrow, Wednesday, May 28th. The entire stock of Men's Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Shoes, Trunks, Valises, Neckties, Shirts, Overcoats, Pants, Blankets, Quilts, Men's Socks and Overalls, at must move prices, as the store must be vacated by June 23rd. Just 4 weeks for these bargains. Remember the Mammoth Bankrupt Clothing Store will be open to-morrow, Wednesday, May 28th. 111 Government St.

Denmark holds the record for consumption of spirits—4½ gallons a year per head, against less than one in England and Scotland.

NEW COMMANDER TO ARRIVE TO-NIGHT

SIR CHARLES PARSONS VISITS THE COAST

Something About Past Services of General Officer Commanding Imperial Troops in Canada.

Major-General Sir Charles Parsons, K.C.M.G., R.A., G.O.C. the Imperial troops in Canada, will probably arrive to-night on a visit of inspection. Accompanied by his assistant military secretary, Capt. Muspratt-Williams, R.G.A., he passed through Winnipeg on Friday. En route to the Coast they stayed over a day at Banff and should reach Vancouver to-day. They will likely arrive here on the Charmer to-night.

The new general officer commanding succeeds Col. V. R. Biscoe, who was in temporary command upon the resignation of Lord Seymour on July 9th, 1900. Col. Biscoe has attained the age of 51 and is placed on the retired list.

Sir Charles Parsons has had a distinguished career. He was born on May 9th, 1855, and joined the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, on August 17th, 1874. He was promoted captain October 7th, 1883; brevet major, October 14th, 1883, and regimental major Sept. 11th, 1891; brevet lieutenant-colonel, November, and brevet colonel, 1898.

His staff service consists of his employment with the Egyptian army from 1883 to 1884, following which he was aide-de-camp to the governor and commander in chief, Malta, for more than a year. He was aide-de-camp to the general officer commanding the eastern division and aide-de-camp to the general officer commanding at Aldershot from January, 1889, to March, 1892. He was employed with the Egyptian army from May, 1892, to February, 1899, (governor of the Red Sea littoral and commandant Suakin).

He was assistant adjutant-general for the Woolich district and colonel on the staff commanding the Royal Artillery, Curragh district. From January 10th to February 13th of the same year he was colonel on the staff, Royal Artillery, and from February 14th, 1900, to November 27th, 1901, he was assistant inspector lines of communication in South Africa.

His war services follow:

South African war, 1877-81, Kaffir campaign. Served in the operations against the Kaikas, and commanded two guns at action of Intaba Ka'Udoda, Zulu campaign; battles of Isandhlwana and Ulundi; also as acting D.A.A. and Q.M.G. from April 27th to May 27th, 1880. Dispatches, London Gazette, August 21st, 1879; medal with clasp. Transvaal campaign, actions at Laing's Nek at Ongogo (severely wounded and horse shot). Dispatches, London Gazette, March 10th and 21st, 1881. Egyptian expedition, 1882, actions at Mahsameh and Kassassin (horse shot) and battle of Tel-el-Kebir. Dispatches, London Gazette, November 2nd, 1882; medal with clasp, bronze star, fifth class Medjidie, brevet of major. Expedition to Dongola, 1896, commanded Egyptian artillery operations of September 19th. Dispatches, London Gazette, November 3rd, 1896; brevet of lieutenant-colonel. Egyptian medal with clasp.

Nile expedition, 1898, capture of Gedaref and subsequent engagements. In command of the force. Dispatches, London Gazette, December 9th, 1898; brevet of colonel, clasp to Egyptian medal. K.C.M.G.

South African war, 1899-1901, on staff; deputy military governor of northern Cape Colony and commandant West Kimberley district. Also acted as assistant inspector-general southern section lines of communication, and in command of the eastern and western districts. Dispatchese London Gazette, September 10th, 1901.

THE THREE-MEAL HABIT.

Our three-meal habit is a fearful tax on our working capacity; it trebles the temptation to overeating; our champions stagger under the weight of a physiological handicap; one-half the functional energy of the system is diverted by the exigencies of digestion. No other hygienic mistake has done so much to make us a generation of dyspeptics as the custom of after-dinner work. Its victims, moreover, incur the risk of contracting that form of moral dyspepsia called pessimism. It tends to rob the working day of its reward.

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FROM PORT HADLOCK.

Samuel Hadlock Tells of Pacific Steel Company Operations.

This afternoon Samuel Hadlock, founder of Port Hadlock, Wash., who is paying a brief business visit to Victoria, gave some interesting information on matters pertaining to the Pacific Steel Company's operations at Irondale and their plans for improving the plant for the handling of Vancouver Island ore. He says that the shipments of ore to the furnace have been daily becoming larger until it has been found necessary to discontinue operations for a short time in order to make some improvements to allow the ore to be dealt with more expediously. Incidentally he spoke of the quality of the iron properties of Vancouver Island, saying that no higher grade iron ore could be found, and that the Pacific Steel Company, realizing that they are losing money by disposing of the ore at the pig iron stage, have decided to introduce a modern plant for the convertion of the coarse pig iron into steel.

Port Hadlock is situated near Irondale, at the entrance of the valley of Chimacum, and it is the outlet for the farmers' produce of that fertile valley. It is also the centre to which the raw ore is shipped from Vancouver Island, and from which the ore is sent on having undergone treatment.

Mr. Hadlock says that since the Pacific Steel Company has taken hold of the furnace, which has been lying idle for so many years, they have expended on it alone about $100,000. Forty thousand of this was paid for the plant as it stood, and $60,000 was expended on improvements. Taking this sum, together with what Mr. Swaney and his company have paid out for different properties on the Island, an estimate of what the venture has cost the company might be obtained. From this it will be seen, said Mr. Hadlock, that Mr. Swaney is very much in earnest in his efforts to build up a large steel company on this coast, and from present indications his work is likely to be crowned with success. Mr. Hadlock will spend some days here before returning to the Sound. He is at the Dominion hotel.

AT QUARANTINE.

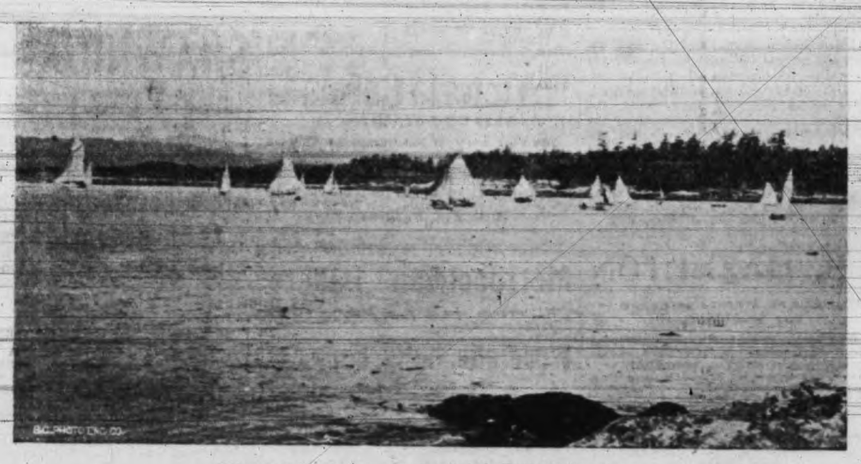
New Lighting Plant to Be Installed—Buildings in Course of Erection.

Out at quarantine many improvements are now being made and others are contemplated which will put the place on equality with the biggest quarantine stations seen on this continent. Buildings are in the course of erection, which, when completed, will add greatly to the general appearance of the station. Among these is a new bungalow residence for the quarantine officer's assistant. A new laboratory is being established and plans are in hand for a cottage hospital. This latter institution has long been required at the station, and will be of great utility when ready for service. The urgent necessity for it has just been demonstrated. A building has been used for the convalescent smallpox patients, which is adequate for the accommodation of three or four hundred people. With the new cottage hospital, however, these patients can be more effectively treated in point of isolation, while the present premises will be available for any emergency that may arise. Still another building is a house for the new resident engineer, Chief Tumilty, of the quarantine tender Earle.

Sealed tenders are being received at the department of public works, Ottawa, for the installation of an electric lighting plant which will further add to the conveniences of the station. These tenders must all be in by June 3rd. Specifications for the same are to be seen at the office of William Henderson, clerk of the public works, in this city. The plans provides for lights in the disinfecting building room at the old retort, in the Japanese building, watchman's cottage, on the wharf, in the general hospital, superintendent's offices and residence, Capt. Gould's residence, caretaker's residence, laundry, cook house, engineer's residence, isolated hospital, ice house, carpenter's shop, lockup, workmen's quarters, guards' quarters, and in the first-class detention building. The grounds will be lighted by arc lights.

The death is announced of a man named Morrison, who every day for many years frequented the streets of the city and West End of London, picking up the ends of cigars and cigarettes. He left a balance at the bank of £37 4s.

The Camberwell guardians have accepted the present of a dozen ping pong sets for the inmates of the Constance road workhouse. The donor, a local resident, stipulated that his name should not be mentioned in connection with the gift.



The Yacht Race:—Start of Boats in "A" Class.

AUTOMATIC WRITING.

"Years ago, a world-famous naturalist came to Boston and delivered a course of lectures before the Lowell Institute. He had been trained in his youth as a clergyman of the Church of England. He told me that in his early life he had looked upon all these matters with contempt, but had been startled into making them a study by some personal experiences. The result of it was that he and other friends organized a circle composed of sixteen people. They held sittings every week, when they were in London, during a period of seven years. There was no one possessing mediumistic powers in this circle at the time when they began their sittings; but as they went on, psychic powers of every description were developed within the limits of their own membership. Among these sixteen are the names of people known all over the world, and who would be readily recognized if I should mention them. It would seem like a chapter out of the 'Arabian Nights' if I should detail the things which this naturalist told me as having occurred at their sittings.

"What I have said is only an explanatory introduction to one little incident which I wish to detail. This naturalist himself became an automatic writer. One member of the circle had a brother who was an officer in the army. They had talked over these things, and the brother had promised that if he died first he would try, if possible, to communicate. This gentleman came into the private room of the naturalist one day and said, 'I wish you would see if you can get any writing.' He did not feel like it, but as a matter of accommodation sat down and took paper and pen. Pretty soon his hand began to move, made certain meaningless scrawls, and then began to string letters together in the form of words. As, however, he looked on what he had written, it seemed to him without any meaning. He told me that if they were words at all, they were not words in any language with which he was acquainted. The friend asked him what he obtained, and he remarked, carelessly: 'Oh, nothing. It's nonsense; at any rate, it has no meaning to me.' Whereupon the friend himself came and looked over the paper, and started with surprise. He said: 'Perhaps it has no meaning for you, but it has all the meaning in the world for me.' And then he explained that this brother, who at this time was dead, had made up certain words out of his own head. They were not words in any language, but they were arbitrary arrangements of letters which appeared like words. He had given these to his brother, and had said: 'If I can ever come to you I will bring these as a test. If I do not bring them, you need not believe it is I.' And here the naturalist, in absolute ignorance of these facts, had reproduced the identical combinations of letters which the officer years before had made as a proposed test for his brother."—Rev. Minot J. Savage, in Ainslee's.

NELSON AND OBEDIENCE.

The value of tradition to the social body is immense. The veneration for practices or for authority consecrated by long acceptance has a reserve of strength which cannot be speedily obtained by any novel device. Respect for the old customs is planted deep in the hearts, as well as in the intelligence, of all inheritors of English-speaking polity. From the very reason of this profound influence over men, traditions need from time to time to be brought to the touchstone by reference to the principle, in order that we may know whether they are still accordant with the ideas in which their origin is found; or whether, the ideas themselves being already outgrown, the tradition no longer represents a living present, but only a dead past. Is the duty of military obedience in either of these plights? Does the tradition set forth by the rule still embody the essential spirit of the principle once involved? Is the principle itself still alive and applicable as of old? I am inclined to believe that on shore, among soldiers, the letter has tended to have the upper hand, and with seamen the spirit; due probably to the more frequent removal of the latter from the presence of an immediate superior, throwing them thus upon their own initiative. Naval biography and history, and military history as far as my limited reading goes, seem to support this opinion. No man wrestled with the question more vigorously than Nelson; none found greater exasperation than he did in the too often successful opposition of the letter to the demands for co-operation, addressed by his impetuous spirit to men over whom he had not immediate control; none was more generous in his attitude to subordinates who overrode, or overpassed, his own orders, provided he saw in their acts the intelligent and honest will to forward his purposes. Obedience he certainly required, but he recognized that, given a capable and zealous man, better work would usually be had by permitting a certain elasticity of initiative, provided it was accompanied by accurate knowledge of his general wishes. These he was always most careful to impart; in nothing was he more precise or particular. If he allowed large liberty in the letter, he expected close observance of, nay, rather participation in, the spirit of his ideas. He was not tolerant of incapacity, nor would he for a moment bear wilful disregard of his plans.—Capt. Alfred T. Mahan in the International Monthly.

LONDON'S FIRE RECORD.

Last year 3,684 fires occurred in London, of which 99 were serious and 3,585 slight.

Ninety-seven people lost their lives through fire during the year, and 297 were in great danger. Of the fatalities, 29 occurred before the brigade was called, and 12 were found dead by firemen. The remainder died after being taken out of burning buildings.

Two firemen were awarded the silver medal for extraordinary bravery, practically the Victoria Cross of the fire brigade—and 28 officers and men of the brigade were commended for bravery.

The strength of the brigade is now 1,173 officers and men.

In 1,195 fires the cause was unknown; 307 were caused by lights being thrown down; 124 to children playing with matches; 135 to oil lamps, and 204 to sparks from fire. Two cases of willful fire-setting were detected during the year.

In connection with the fire appliances at theatres and music halls, 138 defects were reported in 1901. In some cases the supply of water had been entirely cut off, while frequently the appliances were useless. These defects, however, were invariably unknown to the managers, who were only too ready to immediately rectify them.—London Mail.

"The Mammoth" Bankrupt Clothing Store has been given notice to move by June 23rd, and by that time every article in this store must be disposed of. Remember the date and the place, 111 Government St. Moving Out Sale commences to-morrow.

Professional cycling is a paying business in France. Sunday is the day over there when races are so plentiful that many youngsters have given up all other employment and earn their living by racing. In some cases they earn as much as from £20 to £30 per week.

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